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新たなる二人組!!

NARUTO

-ナルト-

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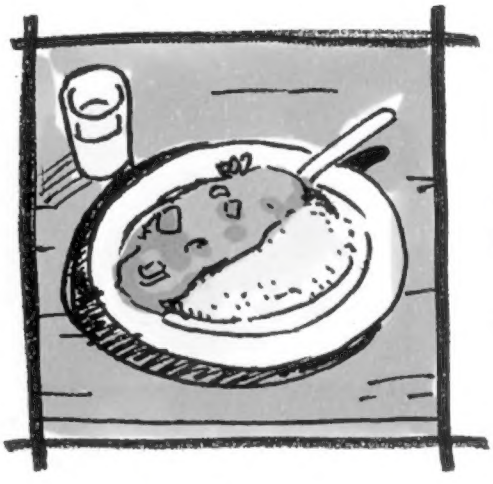

岸本斉史

Curry rice or rice curry... I have no idea what the difference is...

—Masashi Kishimoto, 2006

Author/artist Masashi Kishimoto was born in 1974 in rural Okayama Prefecture, Japan. After spending time in art college, he won the Hop Step Award for new manga artists with his manga **Karakuri** (Mechanism). Kishimoto decided to base his next story on traditional Japanese culture. His first version of **Naruto**, drawn in 1997, was a one-shot story about fox spirits; his final version, which debuted in **Weekly Shonen Jump** in 1999, quickly became the most popular ninja manga in Japan.

JUMP COMICS

NARUTO ナルト

巻ノ二十五

新(あら)たなる二人組(ふたりぐみ)!!

岸本斉史(きしもとまさし)

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主な登場人物

春野サクラ

うずまき
ナルト

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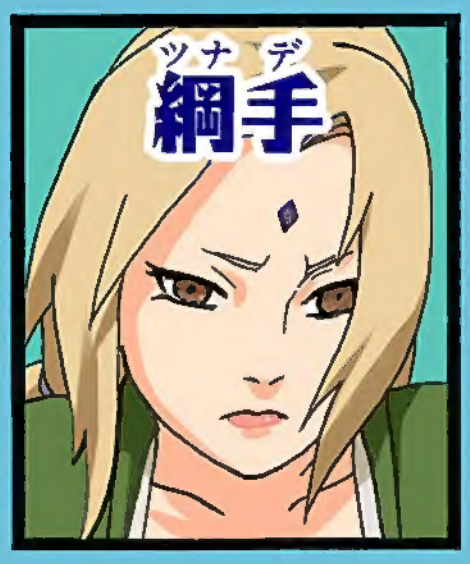

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there's no need to volunteer, we also appreciate people who join for moral support, because that's encouragement for us to know that our readers exist, and continue working until chapter 700!

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―ナルト―

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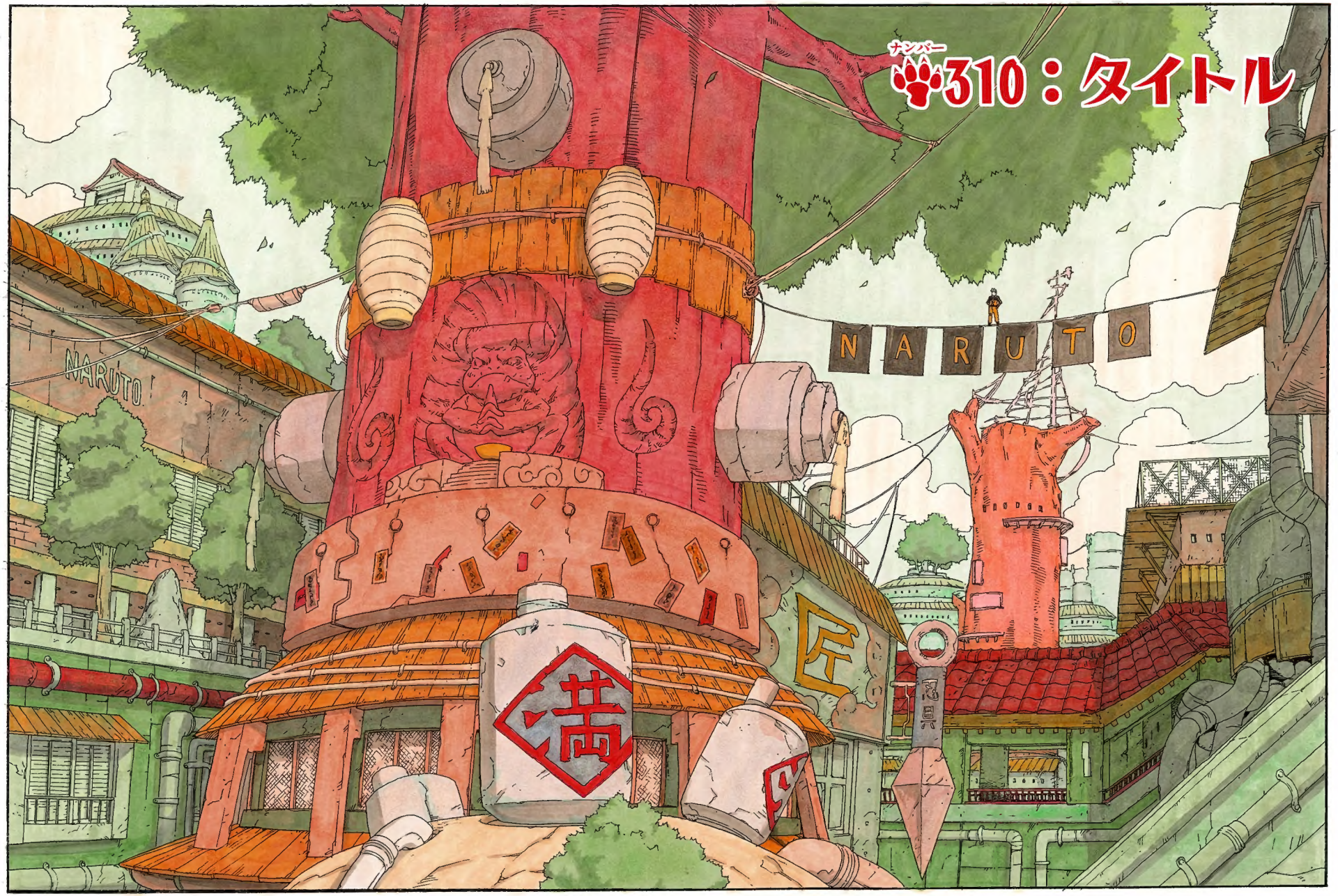

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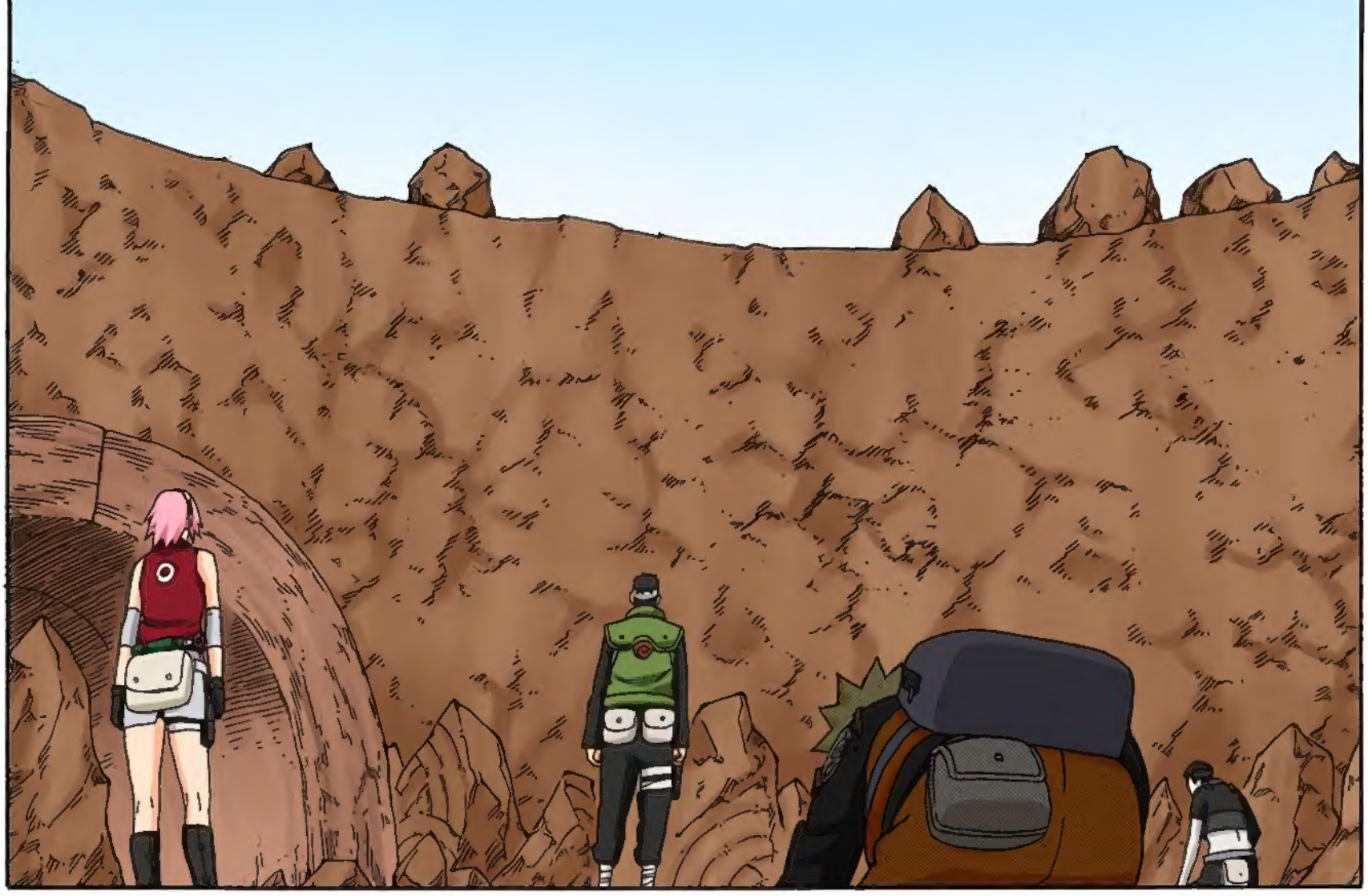

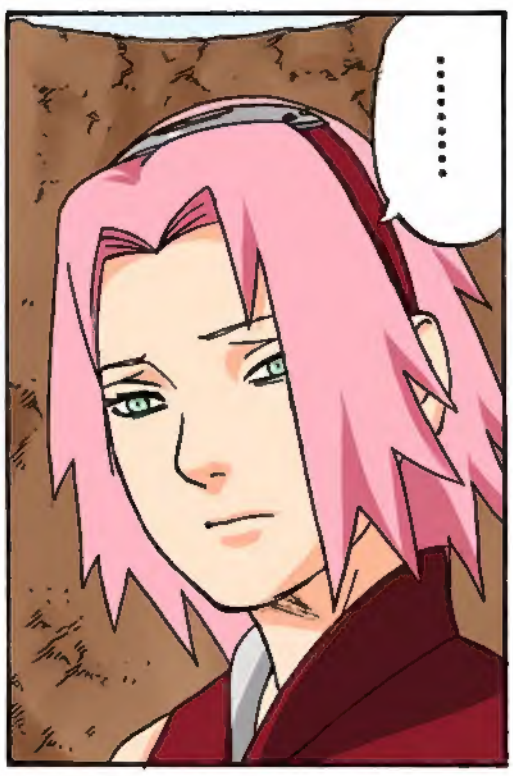

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...SO WEAK...

SOB...

SOB...

SOB...

.....

CRYING...

.....

.....

...WON'T MAKE SASUKE COME BACK, NARUTO.

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YOU AND ME. TOGETHER.

WE HAVE TO BE STRONG.

.....

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!

WE STILL HAVE HALF A YEAR LEFT.

AND I'M PRETTY STRONG, TOO.

THREE MAKES FOR BETTER ODDS THAN TWO.

SCRUB SCRUB

.....

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...THANKS ...GUYS...

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THE FIGHT'S JUST BEGUN...

NOW THEN...

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I SEE...

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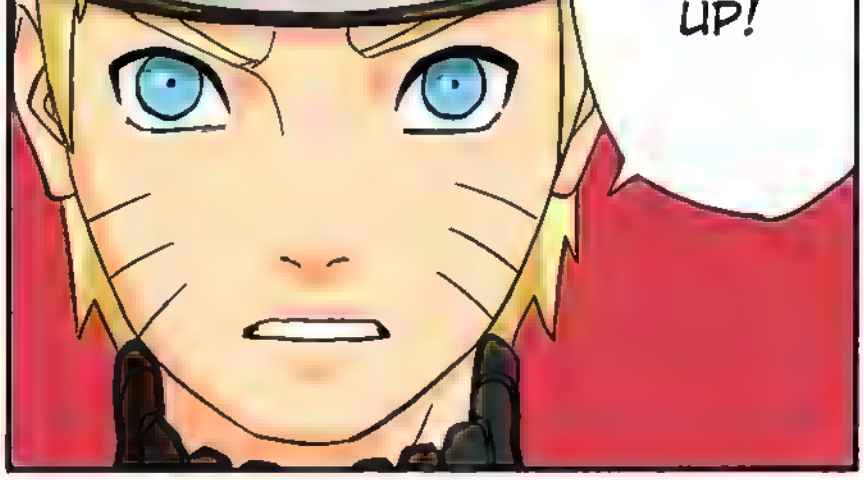

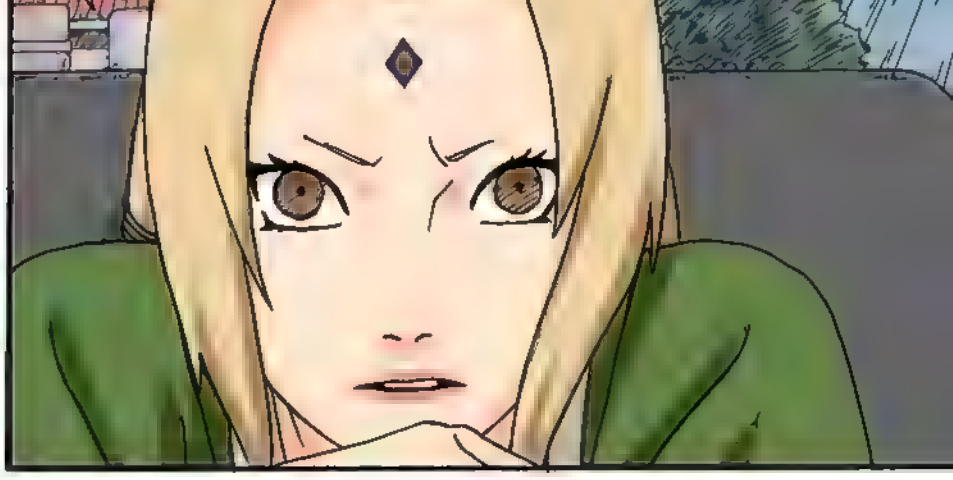

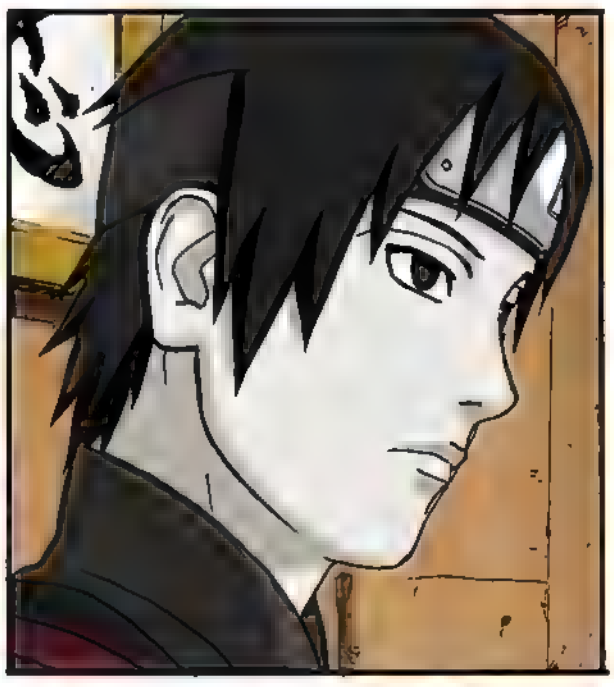

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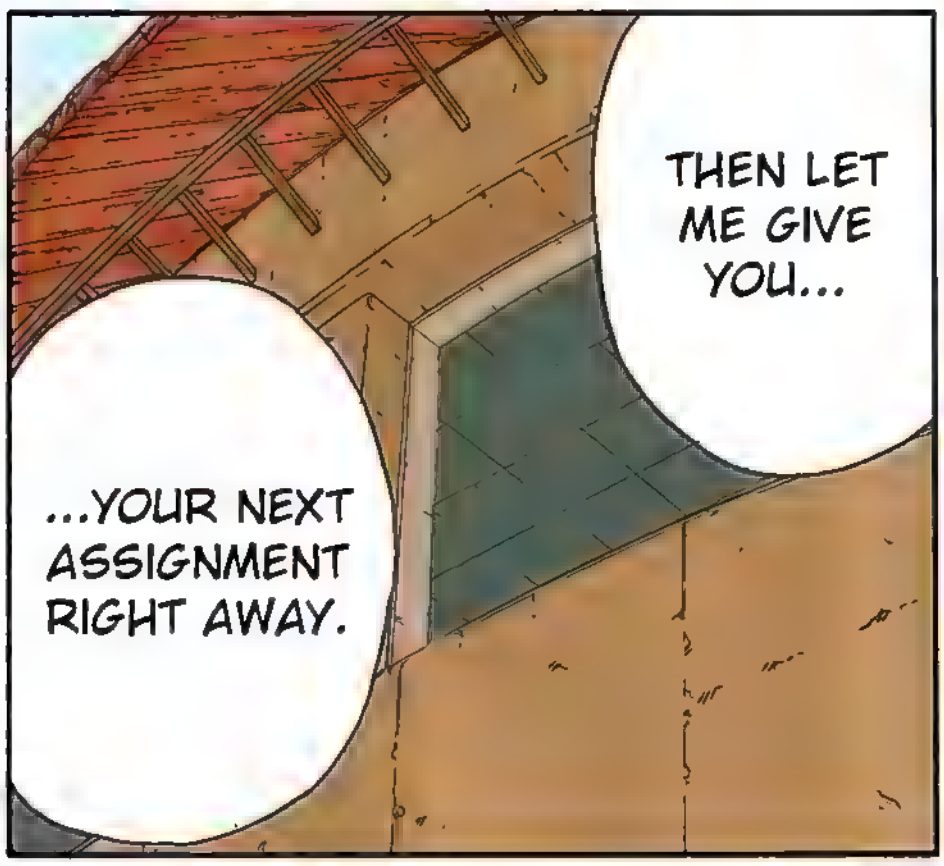

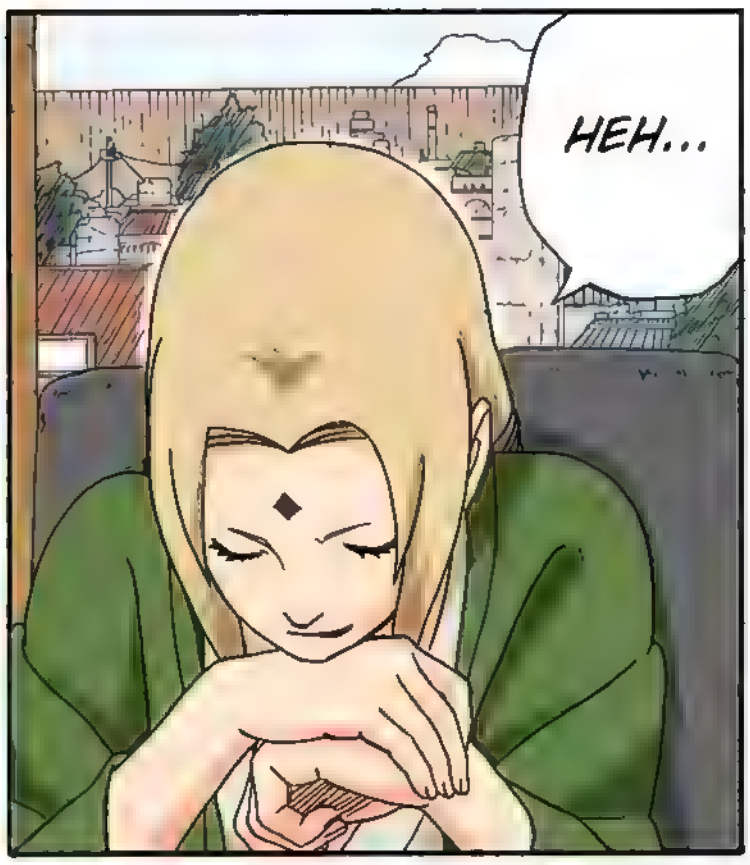

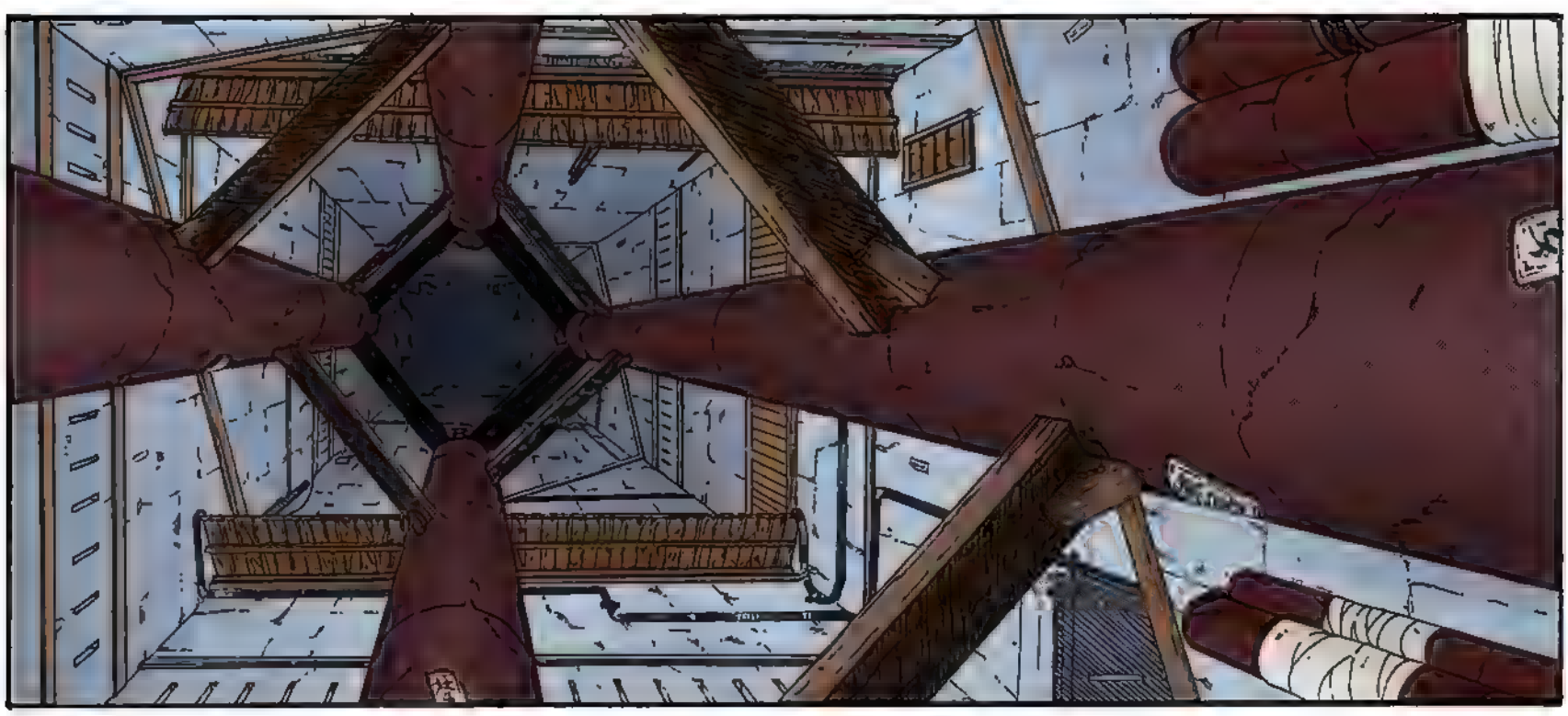

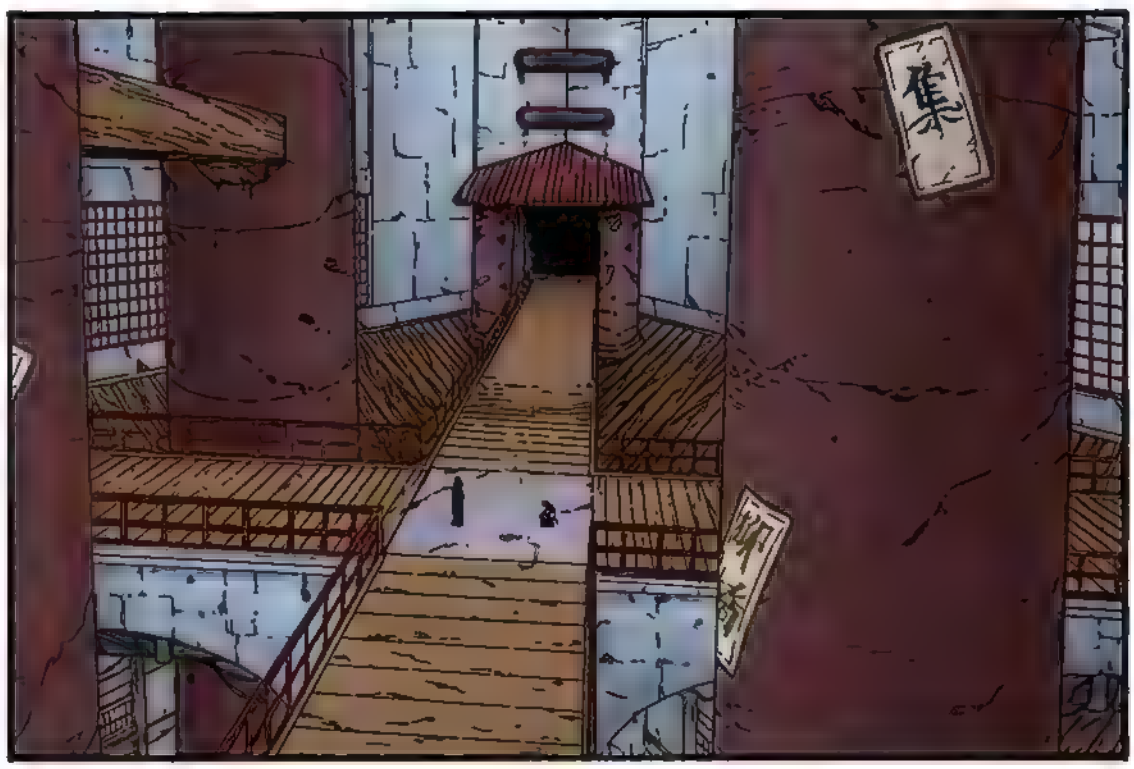

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!

...AND STAY WITH TEAM KAKASHI A LITTLE WHILE LONGER...

I WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THIS NAME... SAI...

A REQUEST ...?

...IF I MAY MAKE A REQUEST.

YES...

THAT SMILE...

...AND HATRED BREEDS CONFLICT...

BUT UNDERSTAND THIS, SAI...

...EMOTIONS GENERATE HATRED...

TSUNADE HAS ALSO APPROACHED ME ABOUT THIS.

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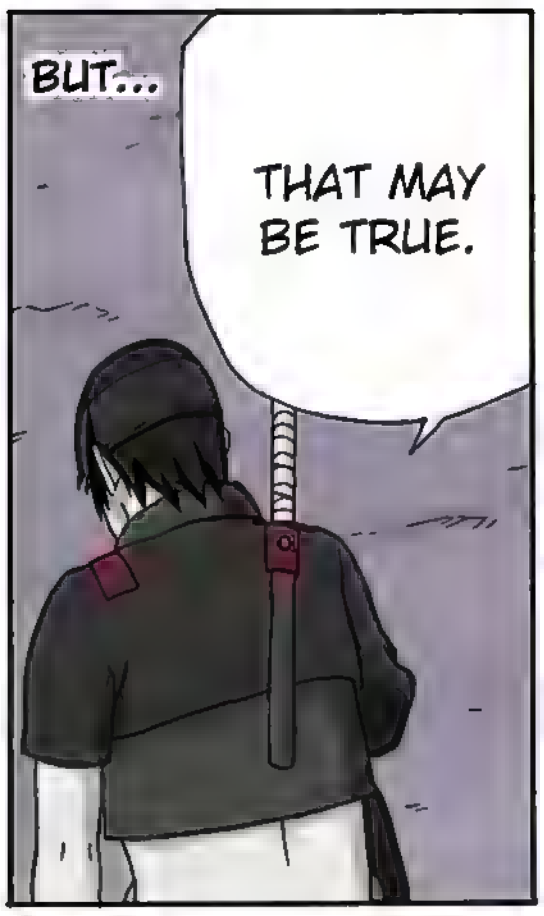

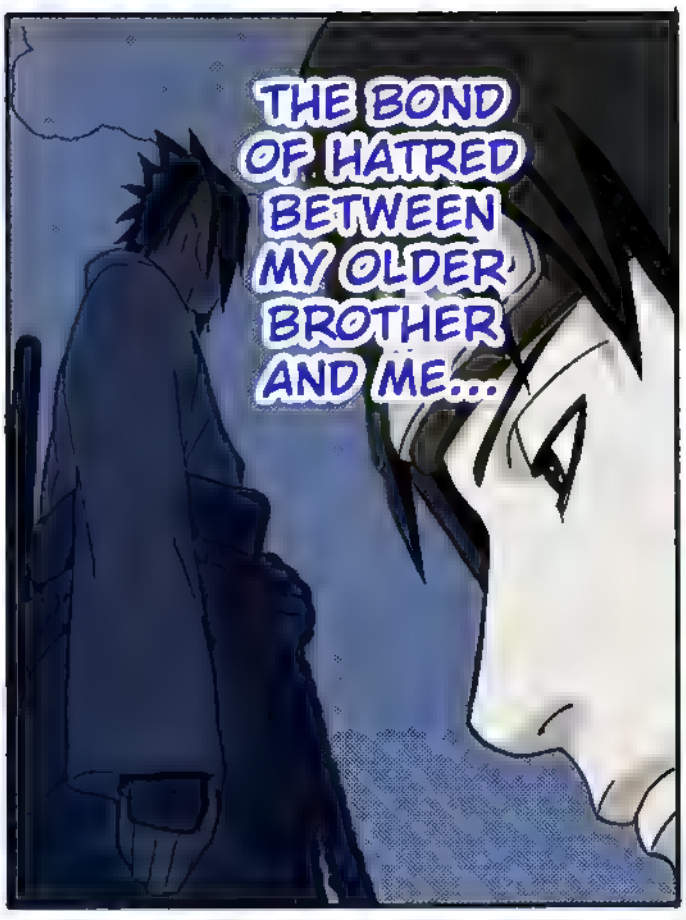

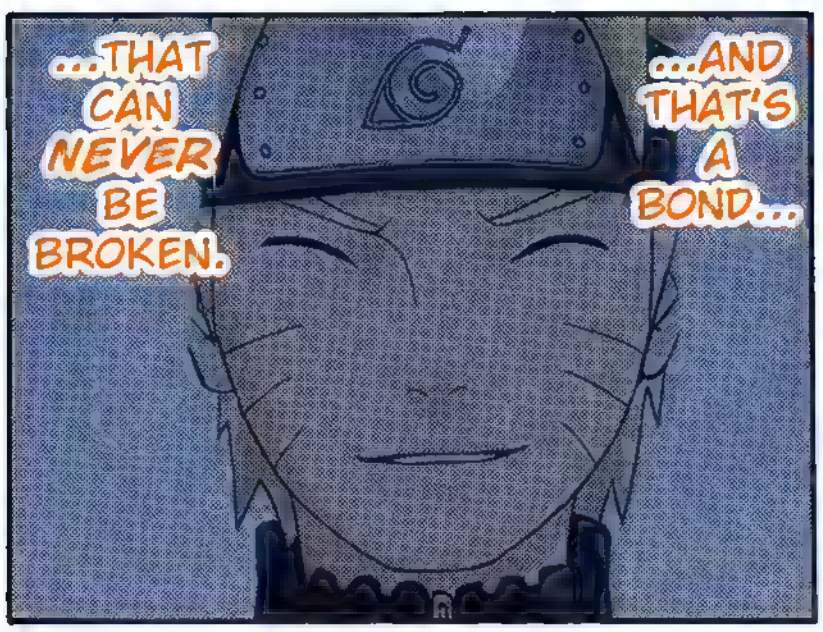

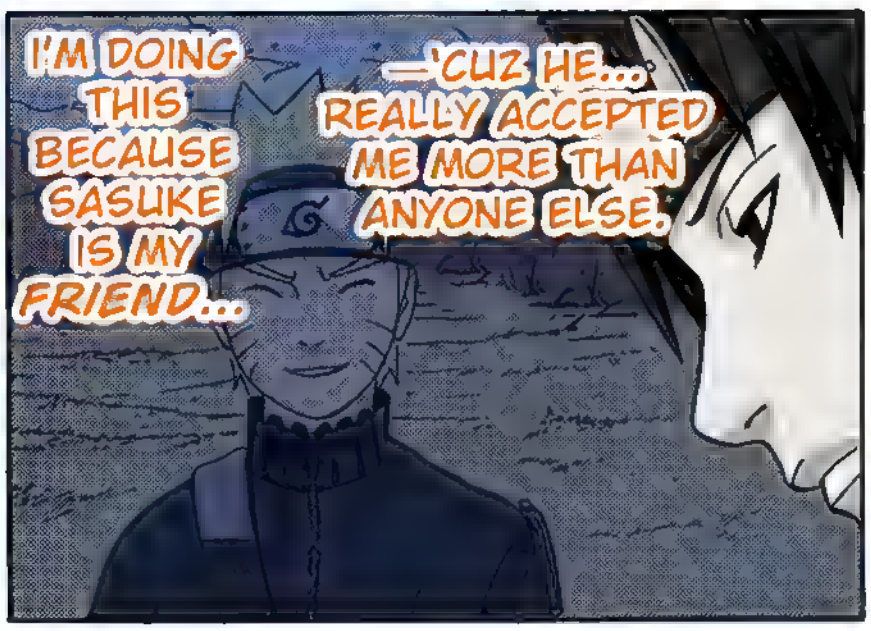

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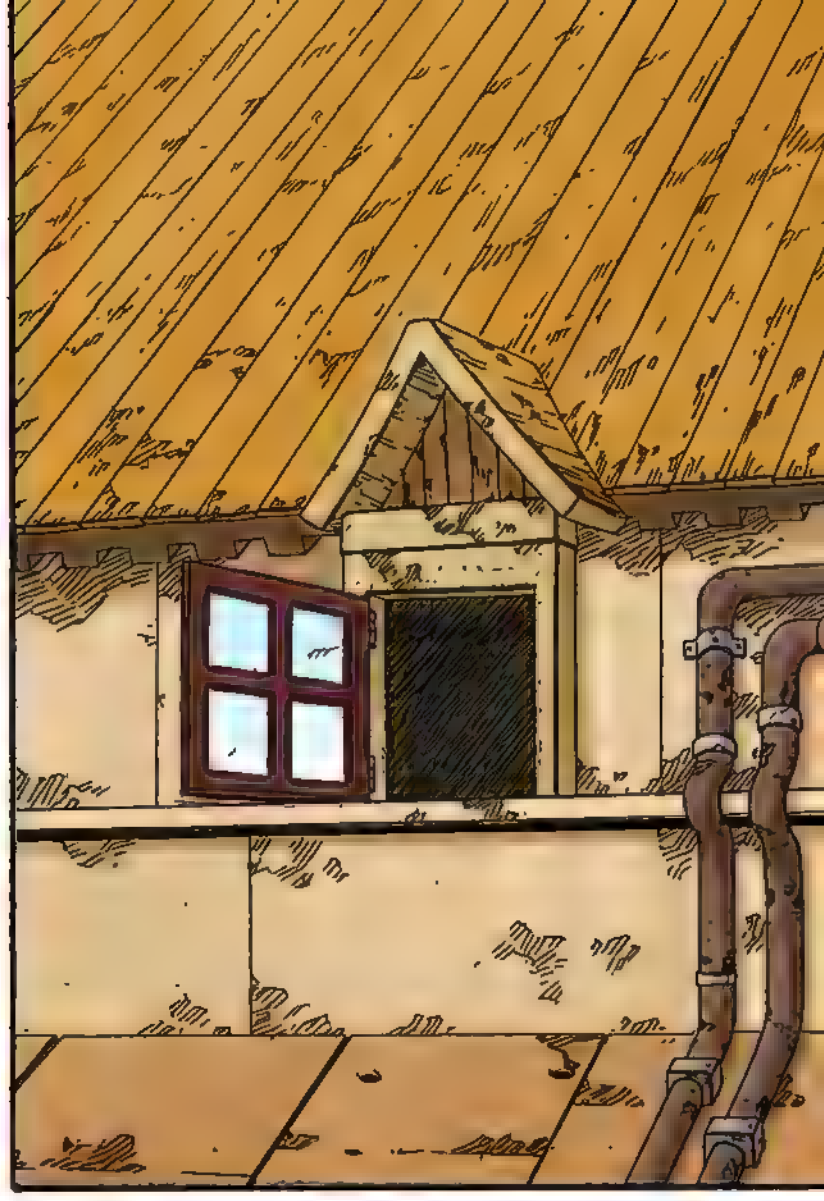

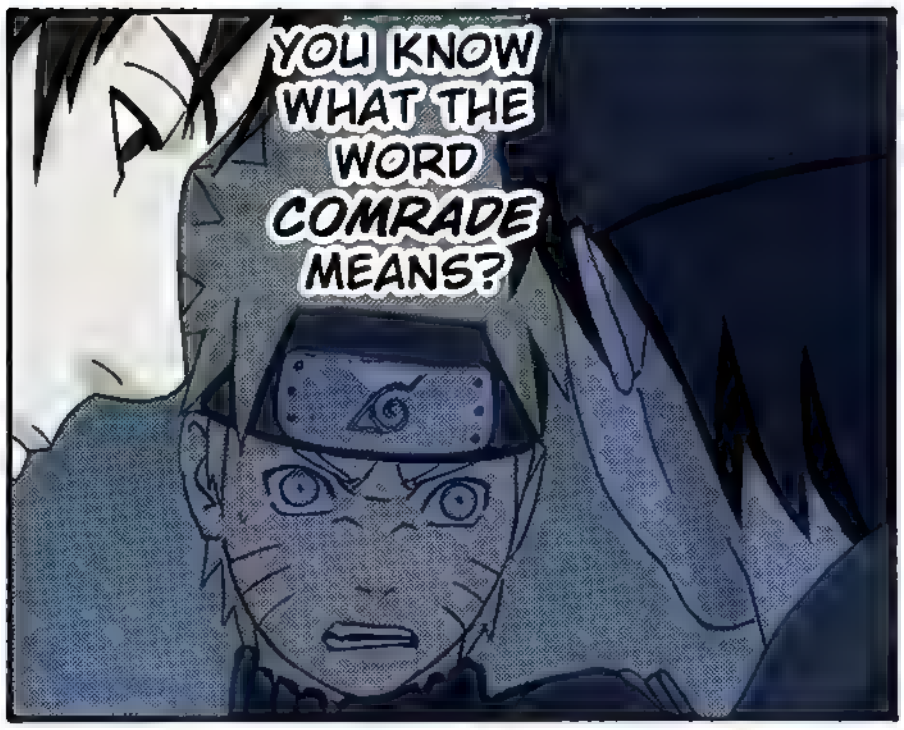

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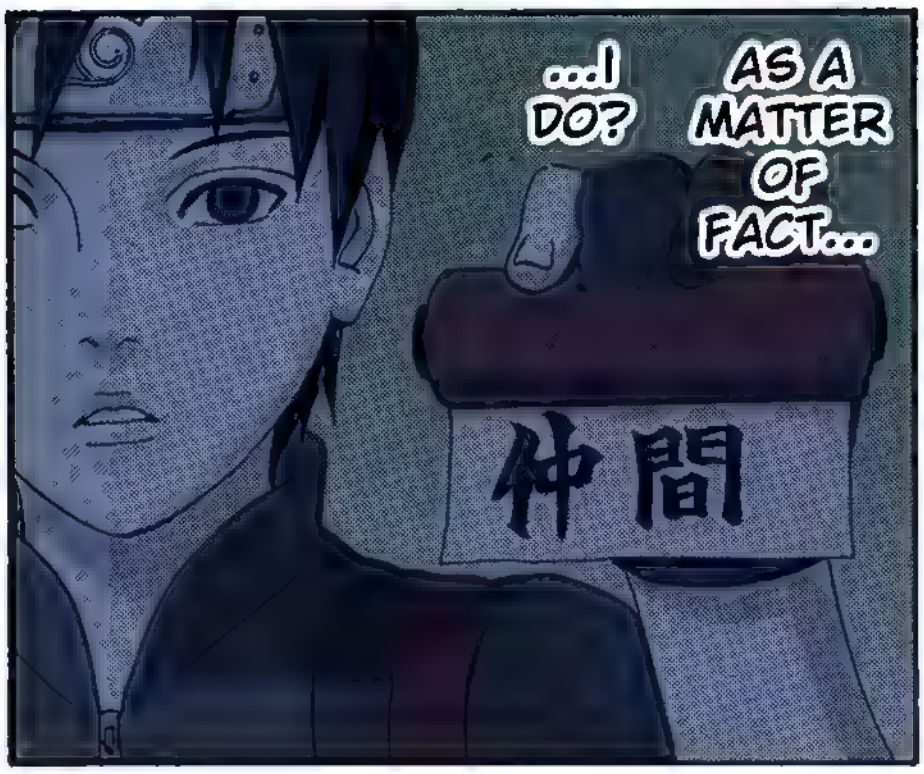

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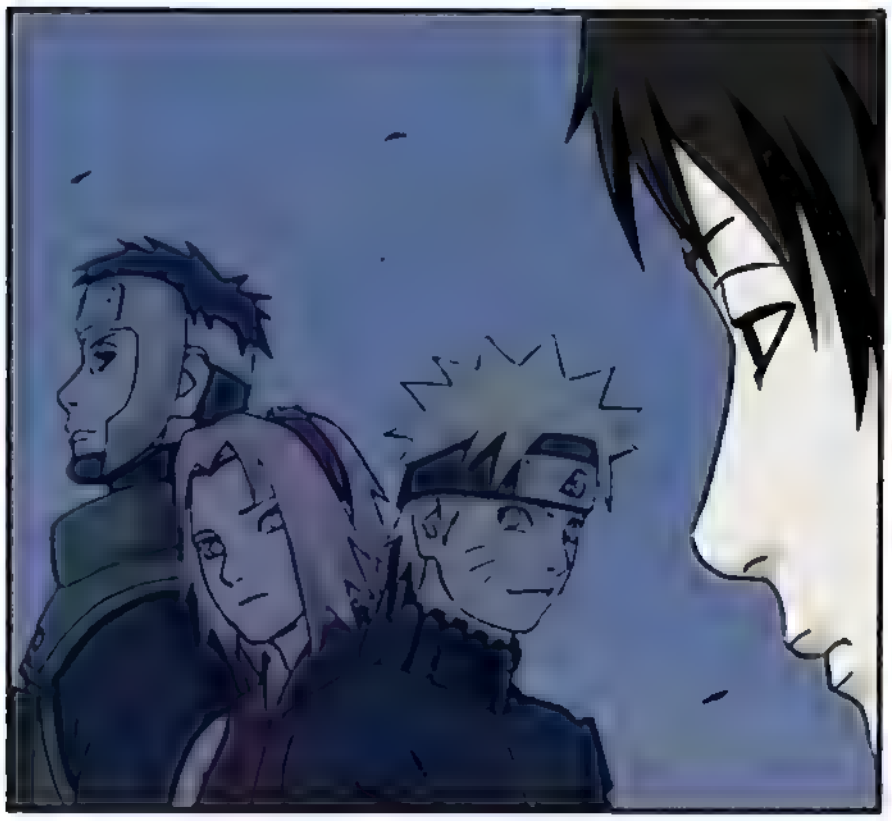

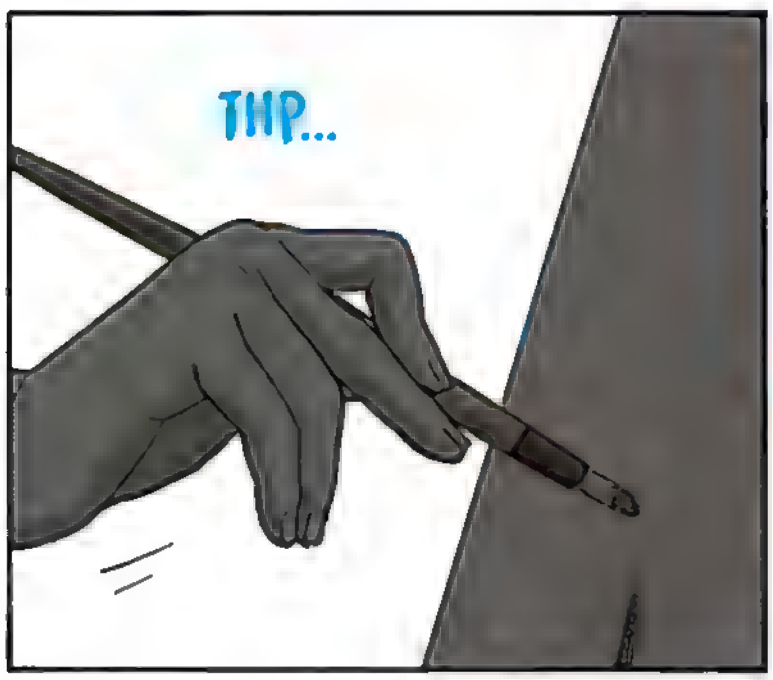

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HEY!

SAI!

WE'RE MEETING TO GO OVER OUR NEXT MISSION!

CLASP...

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……

*WHUMP

バコン

*CLACK...

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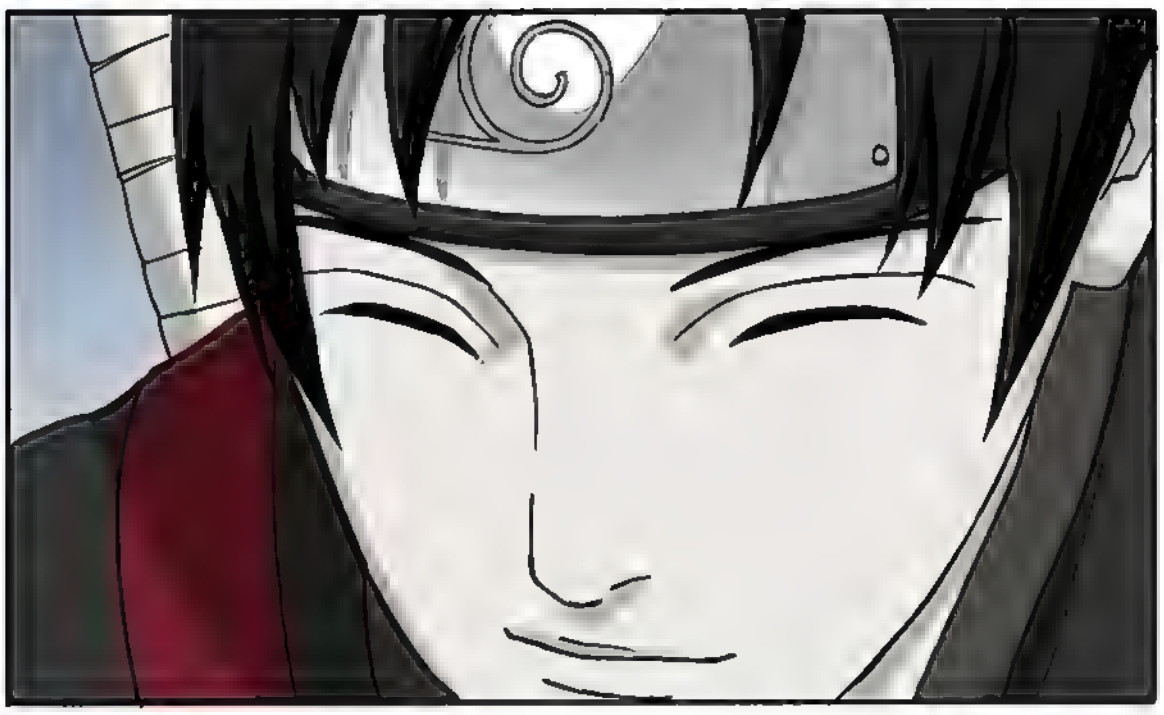

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A2

木ノ葉図書処

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"...ONE MUST FIRST DRAW THEM IN AND WARM THEM TO YOU."

"...IN ORDER TO BE MORE QUICKLY UNDESTOOD BY OTHERS..."

COMMUNICATION

"...IT MAINTAINS A RESERVED AIR AND NEVER ALLOWS THE GAP TO BE BRIDGED."

HOW TO BUILD BETT INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS

"FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN ADDRESSING OTHERS..."

"...IF YOU PERSIST IN CALLING THEM 'MISTER' OR 'MISS'..."

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"FIRST, TRY CALLING PEOPLE BY THEIR NAME, WITHOUT ANY TITLE..."

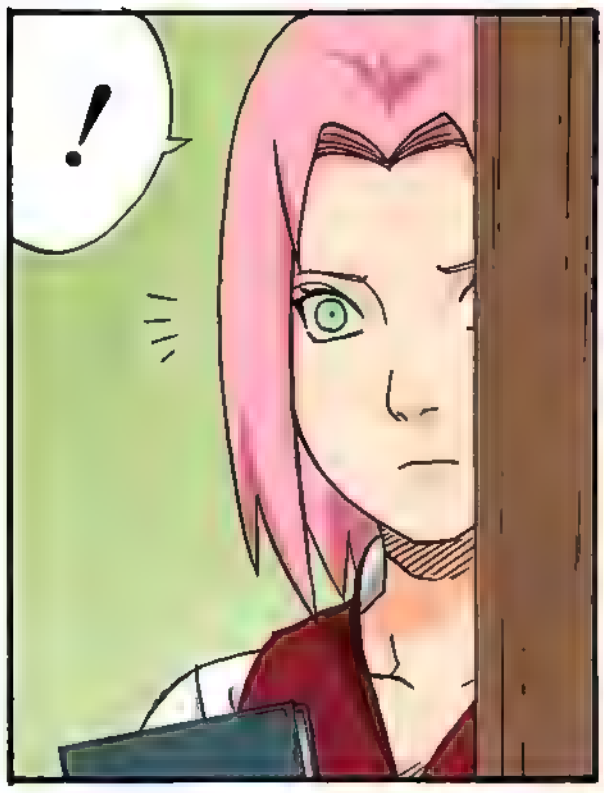
*MUTTER *MUTTER *MUTTER

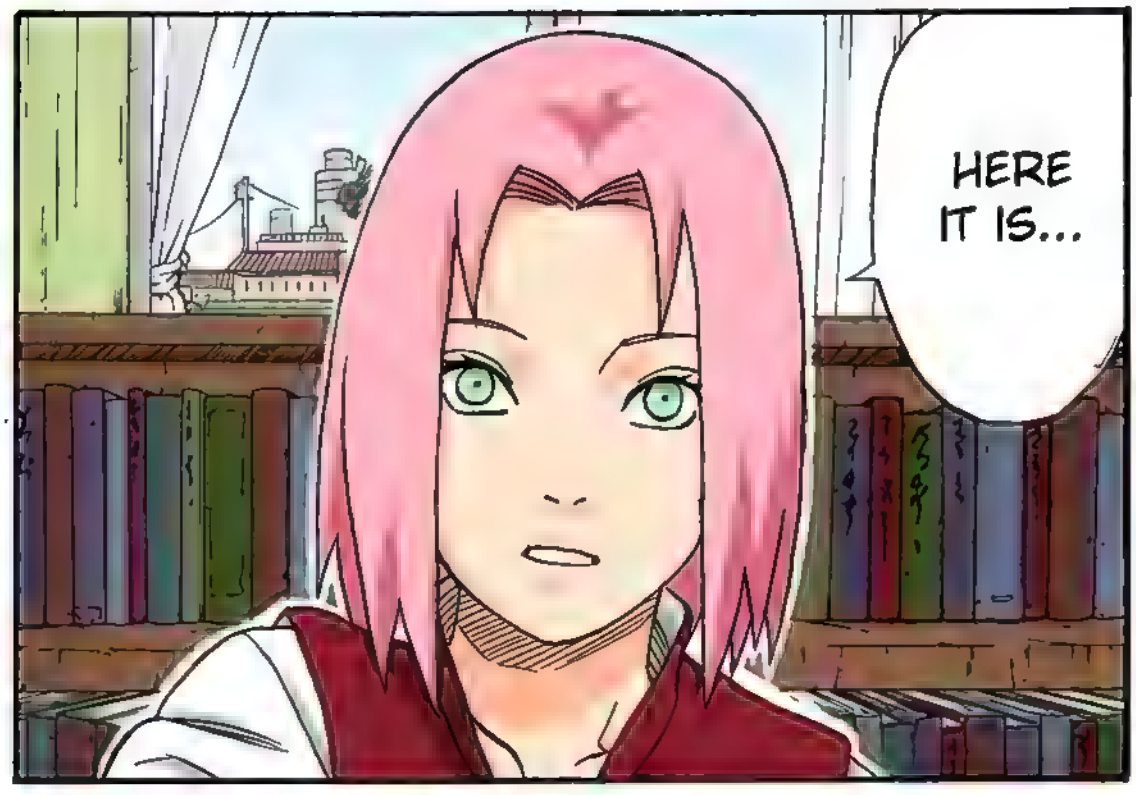
"...OR TRY COMING UP WITH A NICKNAME OR PET NAME."

他人とすぐに仲よくなる方法

*HOW TO MAKE FRIENDS QUICKLY

THE EFFECTS OF MEDIC
POWERFUL DRUGS AND THEIR USES
PREPARING MEDICINES
GREEN FUNGUS AND SUN GRASS
GREEN HERBS AND RED HERBS





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IT'S SAI...

OH...?

DID YOU COME LOOKING FOR ART BOOKS?

!

OCCA-SIONAL-LY...

NEVER PEGGED YOU FOR A READER.

*CLATTER

SAKURA...

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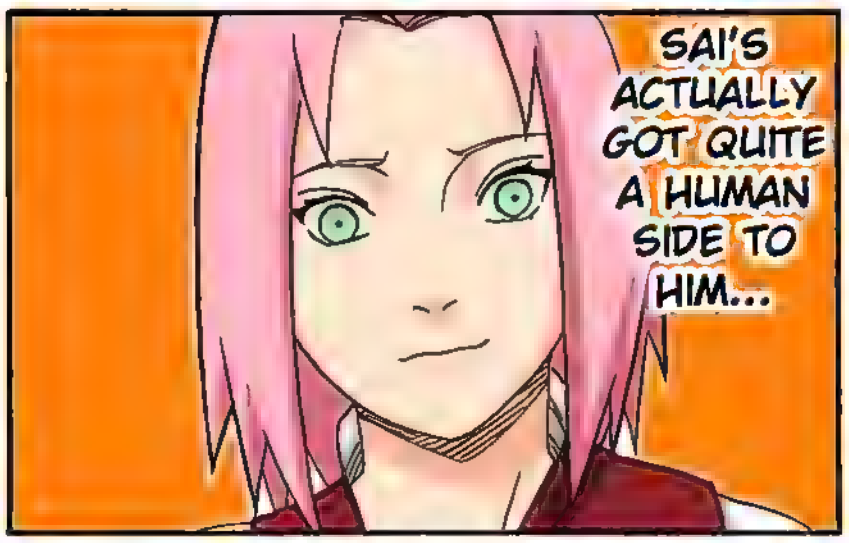

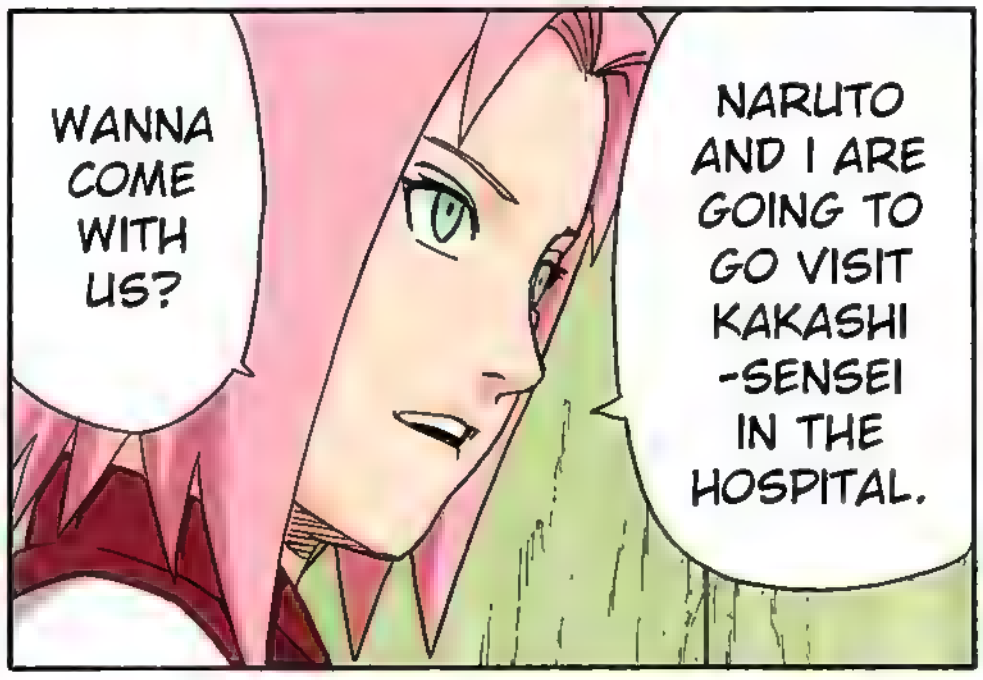

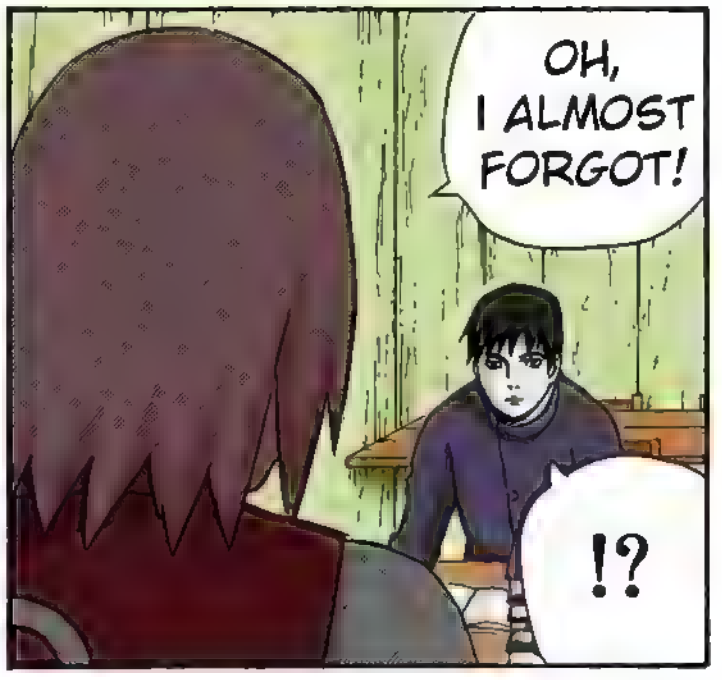

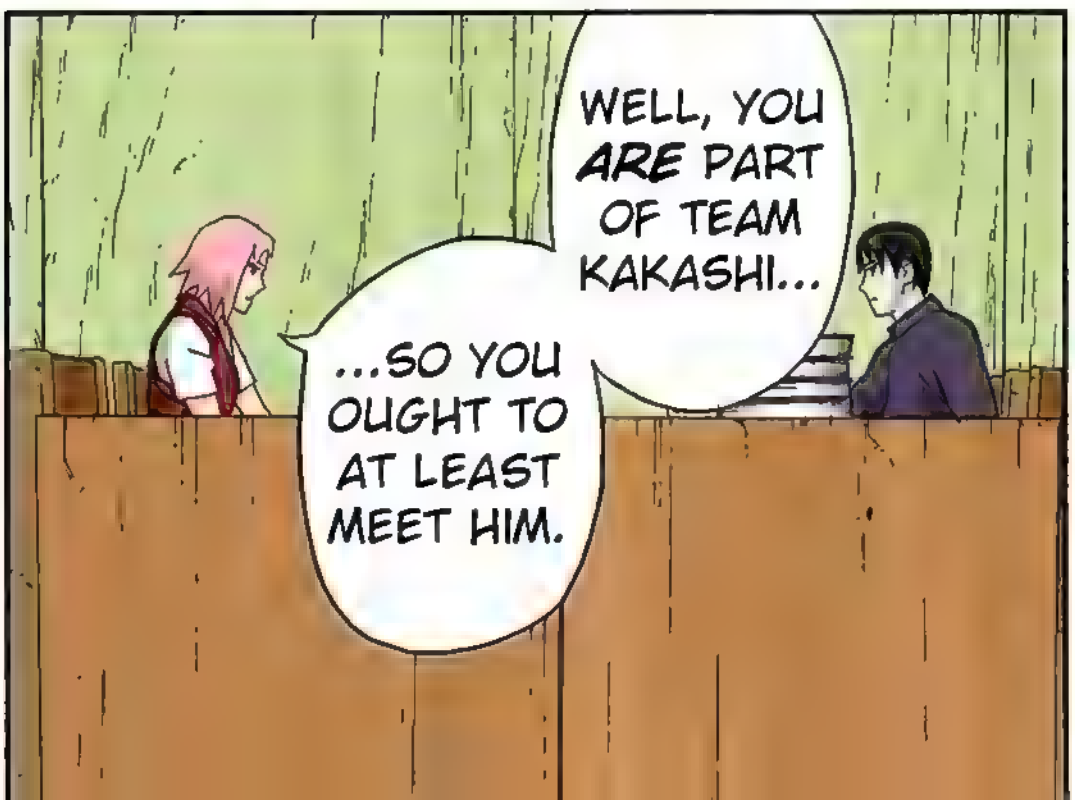

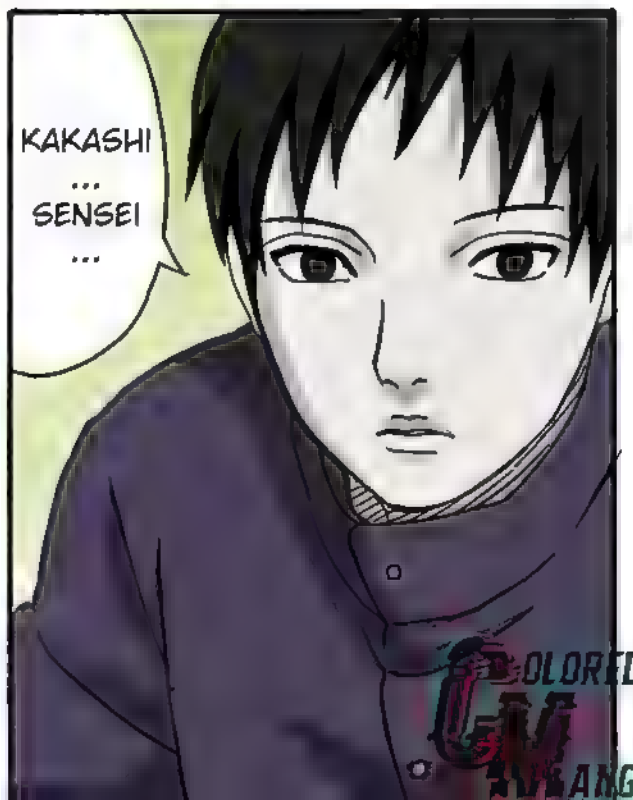

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BUT IF I CAN OBTAIN THE POWER TO DEFEAT ITACHI...

...BY GIVING MYSELF OVER TO OROCHI-MARU...

...SO LONG AS I CAN GET MY REVENGE, NOTHING ELSE MATTERS.

I DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO ME OR TO THE REST OF THE WORLD...

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.....

I WOULD GLADLY GIVE HIM MY LIFE MANY TIMES OVER.

SASUKE...

HUH...?

!

NARUTO!

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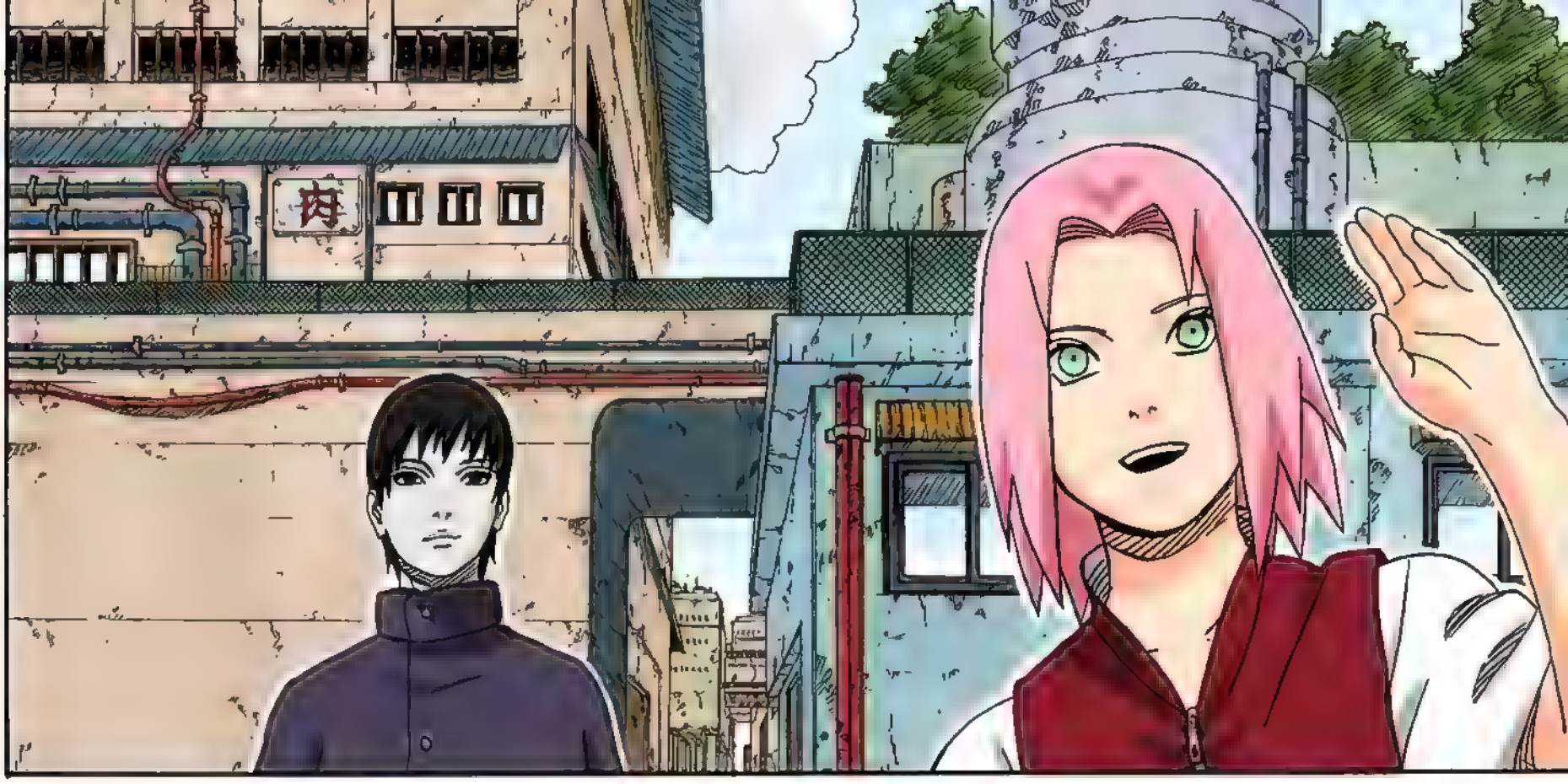

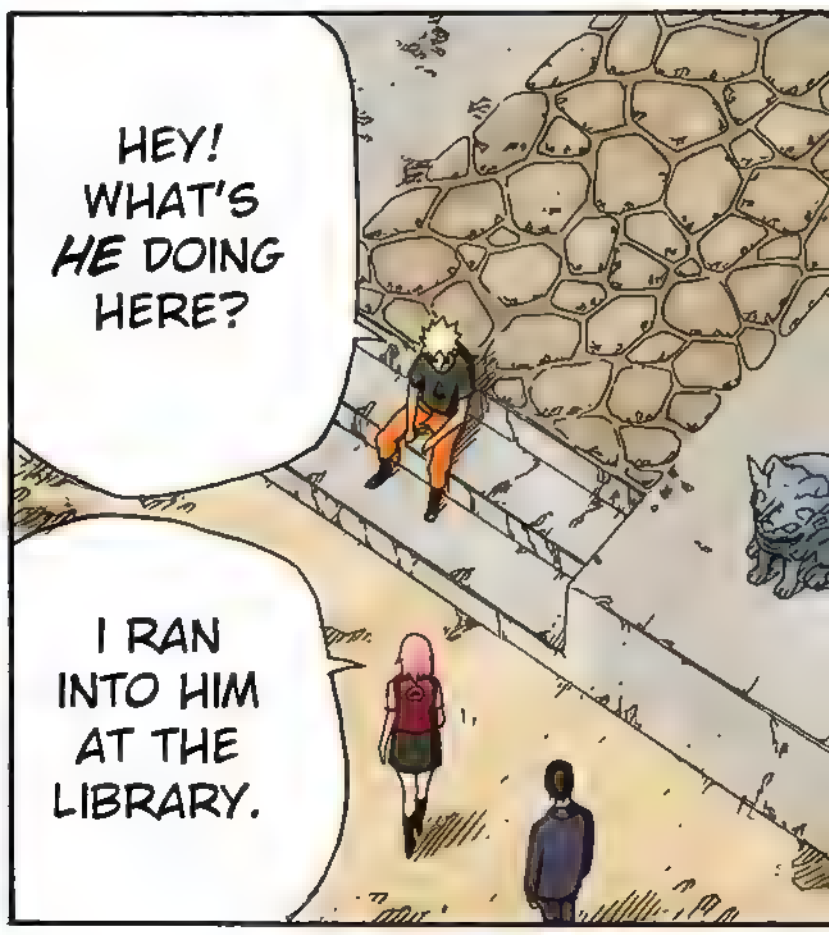

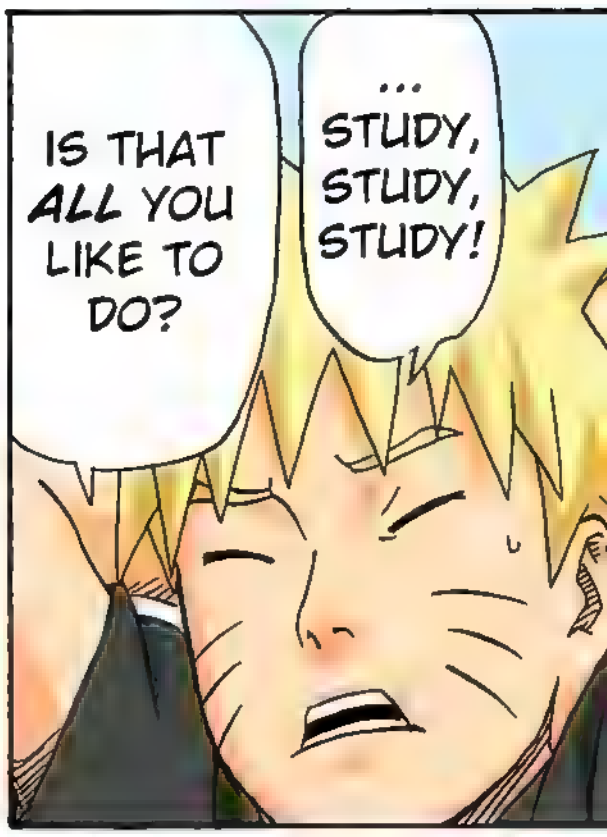

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SAKURA!

...DON'T SAY THAT!

JUST LIKE THE BOOK SAID... SAKURA REFERS TO NARUTO CASUALLY...

!

NARUTO...

SAKURA...

...OH! I MEAN...

I READ IN A BOOK...

...HOW TO MAKE OTHERS FEEL AT EASE WITH YOU...

...?

MIND IF I JOIN?

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...AND THAT WILL BREED FAMILIARITY AND QUICKLY LEAD TO FRIENDSHIP...

IT SAID TO BE CASUAL WITH THEIR NAMES...

...OR CALL THEM BY A NICKNAME OR PET NAME...

.....

.....

HEH HEH, SAI...

I DIDN'T KNOW YOU CARED.

SO THAT'S WHY YOU WERE AT THE LIBRARY ...

.....

...YES.

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SAI DOESN'T SEEM CAPABLE OF CARING THAT MUCH ABOUT US...

...AND I COULDN'T REALLY THINK OF ANY, SO I DECIDED TO JUST GO WITH REFERRING TO YOU CASUALLY...

SO...I WAS TRYING TO THINK OF NICKNAMES OR PET NAMES FOR THE TWO OF YOU...

TAKE NARUTO, FOR EXAMPLE...

PET NAMES AND NICKNAMES OFTEN REFER TO THAT PERSON'S PERSONALITY TRAITS.

DON'T THINK SO HARD. JUST LET IT COME NATURALLY!

...SO DIFFERENT FROM WHEN WE FIRST MET HIM...

WOW, SAI'S...

I SEE... PERSON-ALITY TRAITS, HUH...

SAKURA! YOU DID IT AGAIN!

...YOU COULD CALL HIM *STUPID NARUTO!* OR *DIMWIT NARUTO!*

SLUMP

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...
UGLY.

THANKS FOR THE TIP...

.....

*RAARR!

ドカッ!!

UGLY!!! WHO ARE YOU CALLING UGLY...?

NOW THAT WAS A REALLY CHEAP SHOT, SAI!

...HUH? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

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...SAI, IS IT?

NICE TO MEET YOU.

I SEE... SO YOU'RE THE NEW TEAM MEMBER...

KONOHA HOSPITAL

...YES, SIR.

*MAKE-OUT TACTICS

KNOWING NARUTO'S TEMPER, I CAN GUESS WHAT HAPPENED, BUT...

THOSE BRUISES ON THE BOYS' FACES...DID THEY GET INTO A FIGHT?

?

TEP...

HEY, SAKURA, COME HERE A SECOND...

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?

.....

A-HA HA HA...

IF YOU SAY SO...

...WE ALL GET ALONG JUST FINE!

O-OH, NO, IT'S NOTHING ...

NARUTO ...

.....

...I BET HE'S LOOKED ME UP TOO.

SO THIS IS KAKASHI HATAKE, FAMED EVEN AMONG THOSE OF THE FOUNDATION...

KAKASHI -SENSEI...

...ON OUR LAST MISSION, WE...

.....

YUP...

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.....

.....

.....

YAMATO TOLD ME EVERYTHING.

ALL ABOUT SASUKE TOO...

*MAKE-OUT TACTICS

AND WHERE I'M AT NOW, I'M NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO BRING SASUKE BACK...

...HE'S BECOME TOO STRONG...

AT THIS RATE, HE'LL SOON BE...

WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF TIME...

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...!

WELL ...IN THAT CASE...

YOU JUST NEED TO GET EVEN STRONGER THAN THAT.

COURTESY OF KABUTO...

AND ACCORDING TO LADY TSUNADE...

...IT'S POSSIBLE THEY'RE AUGMENTING HIS TRAINING WITH DRUGS AND FORBIDDEN JUTSU...

AS I SEE IT, SASUKE'S RATE OF MATURATION

ISN'T ORDINARY...

WHICH IS WHY THE ONLY THING WE ***CAN*** DO IS SUPER-ACCELERATE OUR OWN GROWTH.

I REALIZE THERE ARE NO BOOKS THAT CAN HELP US UNDERSTAND

THE MINDSET OF THOSE WHO PERFORM LIVE HUMAN EXPERIMENTS...

*THE EFFECTS OF MEDICINALS

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I'VE BEEN BRAIN-STORMING...

...AND THAT'S HOW THE IDEA CAME TO ME.

YOU THINK I'VE JUST BEEN SLEEPING AND DOING NOTHING THIS WHOLE TIME?

イチャイチャタクティクス

イチャ

BUT HOW?

*MAKE-OUT TACTICS

*HM...

フン...

.....

...OR RATHER, IT WILL *ONLY* WORK WITH NARUTO.

BUT THIS METHOD IS MORE SUITED TO NARUTO...

NARUTO, YOU MAY EVEN SURPASS ME.

AND IF IT DOES PAN OUT...

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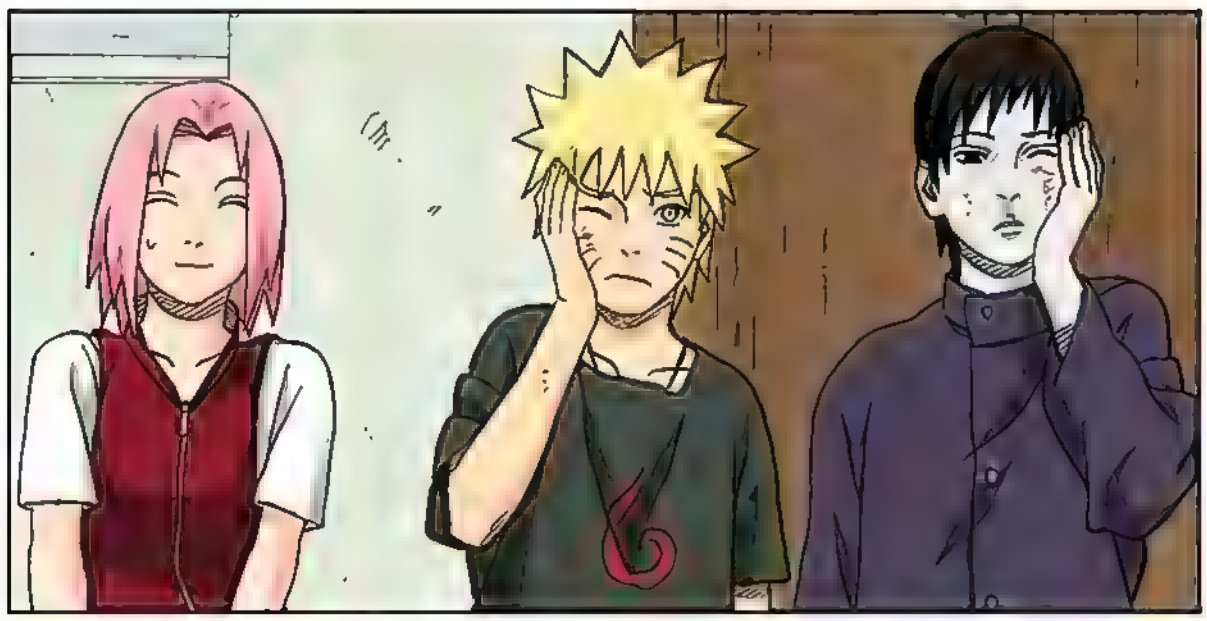

312: THE IMPENDING MENACE!!

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THAT'S RIGHT.

...SURPASS *YOU*, KAKASHI -SENSEI...?

...IT'LL BE TRAINING LIKE YOU'VE NEVER DONE BEFORE.

I'LL BE WORKING WITH YOU ONE-ON-ONE...

.....

.....

WE'LL CREATE AN ULTIMATE NINJUTSU, ONLY FOR *YOU*.

NEVER ...? HOW ...?

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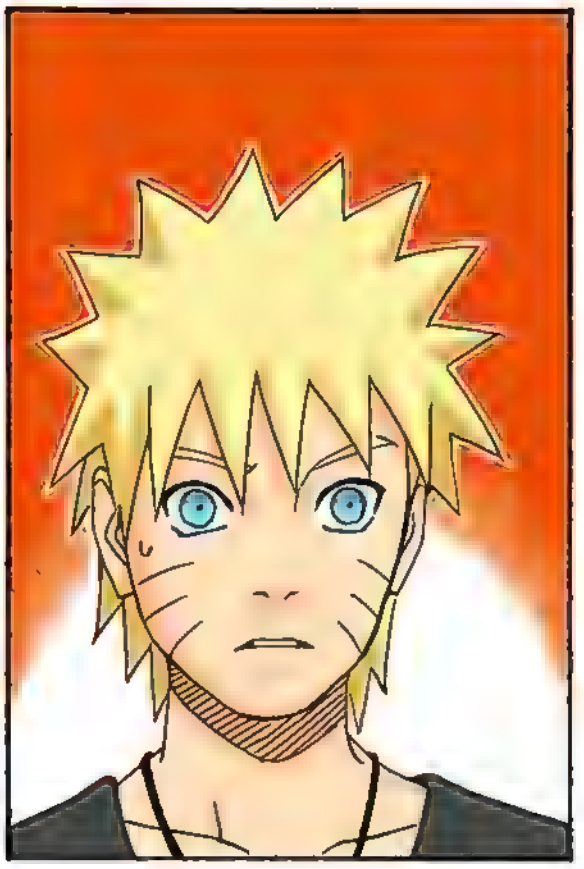
BUT IN ORDER TO ATTAIN THE POWER THAT YOU'LL NEED FOR IT...

..YOU'LL HAVE TO TRAIN WITH AN INTENSITY UNLIKE ANY YOU'VE KNOWN.

THIS NEW JUTSU WILL BE EVEN MORE POWERFUL THAN RASENGAN.



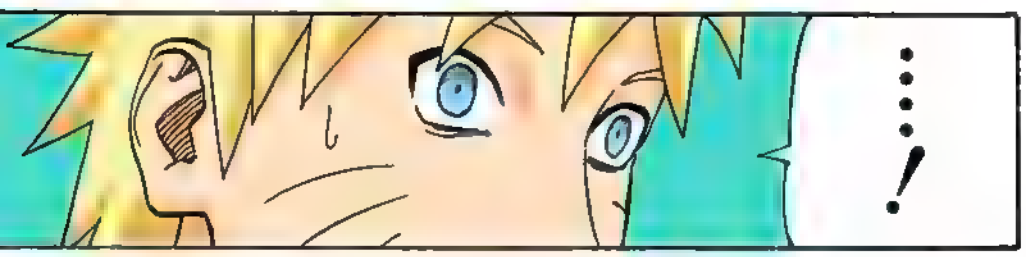
...MASSIVE AMOUNT OF TIME...?

BUT I JUST TOLD YOU, WE'RE OUT OF TIME! SASUKE'S ALMOST...

AND IT WON'T BE LIKE A PRE-EXISTING JUTSU SUCH AS THE RASENGAN...

...THAT WE CAN BREAK DOWN AND WORK ON IN SIMPLER STAGES.

IT'S NOT LIKE SOME CHARACTER IN A NOVEL. YOU CAN'T GET STRONGER IN JUST A FEW DAYS.



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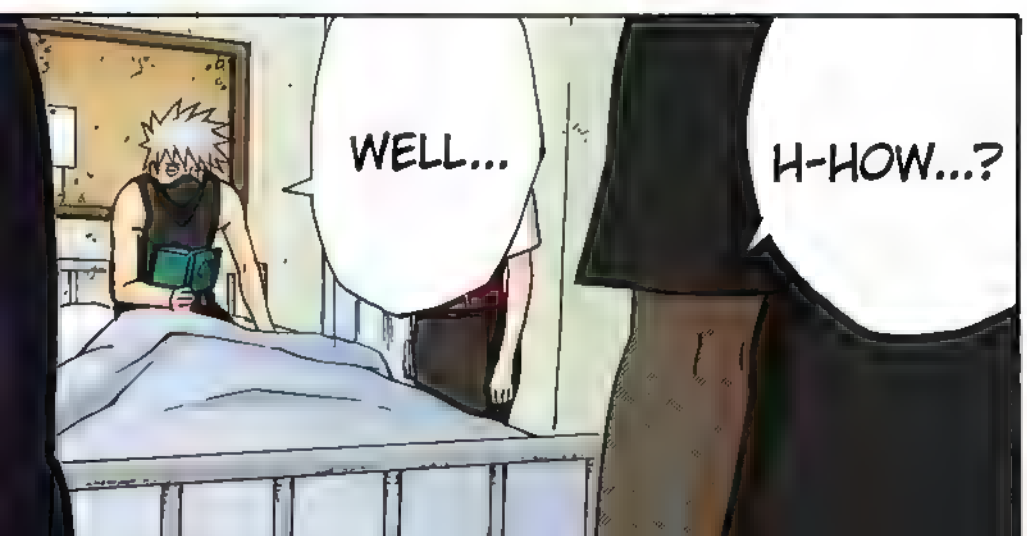

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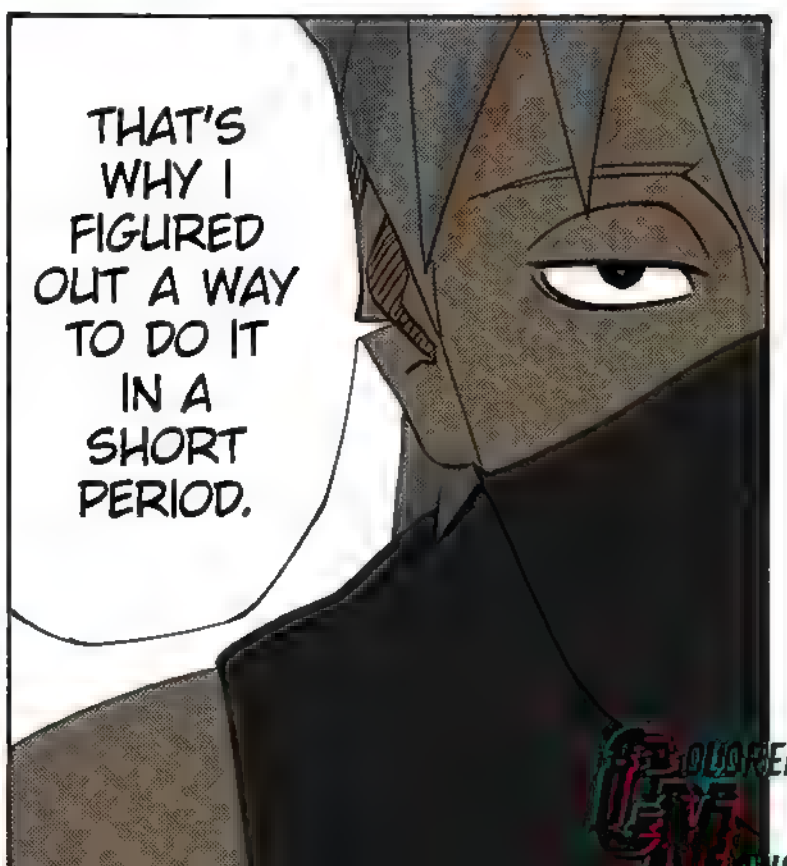

THAT'S WHY I FIGURED OUT A WAY TO DO IT IN A SHORT PERIOD.

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*CLATTER

HOW YOU FEELING, KAKASHI?

HIYA.

MASTER ASUMA, COULD YOU KNOCK FIRST?!

*SHUFF

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YOU'RE BACK ALREADY ...

HEY, IF IT ISN'T NARUTO AND SAKURA.

OH!

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YOU'RE THAT KID FROM...

HI.

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I'LL BE HEADING OUT, THEN.

THANK YOU... FOR YOUR REPORT.

WHICH MEANS IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THEIR NEXT FORAY INTO KONOHA TERRITORY.

IT SEEMS THE AKATSUKI IS STARTING TO REALLY MAKE THEIR MOVE.

FWSH

WE'VE GOT NO TIME LEFT TO LOSE.

IT'S DANGEROUS... BUT ALSO THE BEST OPPORTUNITY TO SMASH THEM.

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…LOOKS A LITTLE LIKE SASUKE.

HUH… HE'S PRETTY COOL AND CUTE.

AND YOU MAY ADDRESS ME ACCORD-INGLY.

MY NAME IS SAI.

OHH, SO THAT'S WHAT THAT WAS ABOUT.

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SHUFF

HE CAN'T READ EMOTIONS.

UH, MAYBE IN LOOKS, BUT INSIDE HE'S QUITE DIFFERENT.

NEXT TIME SOMETHING COMES UP, I'LL HELP TOO.

ESPECIALLY NOW THAT THAT BOTHERSOME CHUNIN SELECTION EXAM IS OVER.

LADY TSUNADE TOLD ME WHAT HAPPENED WITH SASUKE.

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THANKS ...

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NICE!

I GET TO SIT NEXT TO SAI!

WOO HOO! BARBE-QUE!

TEAM KAKASHI, YOU'RE WELCOME TO JOIN US.

WHY DON'T YOU ALL GO ON AHEAD TO YAKINIKU Q, THE BBQ HOUSE.

KAKASHI-SENSEI, WHAT ABOUT THAT TRAINING YOU WERE TELLING ME ABOUT?!

...HEY, WAIT A SEC!!

...KAKASHI AND I HAVE SOME BUSINESS TO DISCUSS.

I'M BUYING. BUT IN THE MEANTIME...

AW, MAN! JUST WHEN I WAS GETTING EXCITED!

WHAT?!

WELL! WE'LL GET BACK TO THAT LATER.

...RIGHT. HMM...

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ZIZZLE

HEY! WHERE'S SHIKA-MARU?

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(YAKINIKU Q)

BUT HE'S ALWAYS CELEBRATED MISSION COMPLETIONS WITH US BEFORE...

HOW ODD...

HUH.

HOME. HE'S GOTTA GO COLLECT MEDICINAL ANTLERS WITH HIS DAD OR SOME-THING.

OH, RIGHT...

HEY, CHOJI! WE SHOULD INTRODUCE OURSELVES TO SAI BEFORE WE START EATING.

*FAP

WELL, SINCE HE'S NOT HERE... I GET SHIKAMARU'S!

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NICE TO MEET YOU, UH, SAI.

ER, I'M AKIMICHI CHOJI OF THE AKIMICHI CLAN.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS ARE EVERYTHING, SO I'VE GOT TO COME UP WITH A NICKNAME OR PET NAME RIGHT AWAY...

...THANKS...

HE'S GOING TO SAY THE FOR-BIDDEN WORD!

.....!

DON'T TELL ME...!

.....!

PERSON-ALITY TRAIT... TRAIT...

NICE TO MET YOU TOO... UH...

GRRR

...CHUB-

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HEY, SAI! DON'T EVER SAY CHUBBY TO CHOJI!

GET IT?!

?

FOOF

WHUP

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NICE TO MEET YOU!

I'M YAMANAKA INO. MY PARENTS OWN YAMANAKA FLOWERS.

...WERE YOU ABOUT TO SAY SOME-THING?

NICK-NAMES ARE HARD...

A-HA HA... NO, NO...

NICE TO MEET YOU... UM...

...WHICH MEANS I SHOULD SAY SOMETHING OPPOSITE...

IN THE CASE OF WOMEN, IF YOU STATE THEIR PERSONALITY TRAITS TO BLUNTLY, YOU WILL ANGER THEM...

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YOU'RE BEAUTI-FUL.

SHUDDER

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KUF

KUF

YOU CALL HER BEAU-TIFUL ???

BEAU-TIFUL !!!

AGH!

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WELL GIRL, YOU DID PRETTY WELL... BUT...

HMM... THEN AGAIN, MY ATTACK SPEED IS THE SLOWEST AND MY AIM THE WORST AMONG THE AKATSUKI...

...SO I PROBABLY CAN'T HIT YOU ANYWAY, BUT...

SHUP

SHUP

SHE'S ALL YOURS.

JUST AS I SUSPECTED ...YOU ARE FROM THE AKATSUKI...

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ME? YOU'RE USUALLY THE DOER.
I'D LIKE NOTHING BETTER THAN TO BE KILLED.
OH COME ON, KAKUZU.
BE CAREFUL, HIDAN, OR YOU'LL DIE.
SHE'S THE JINCHURIKI HOST OF THE TWO TAILS.

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RATTLE

HOLD ON.

LET'S DO IT.

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BEFORE I DO ANYTHING ...

...I MUST CONFER WITH MY GOD.

YOU AND YOUR DEITY. ALWAYS SUCH A BOTHER.

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IT'S BOTHER-SOME TO ME TOO, BUT...

...THE COMMAND-MENTS ARE STRICT, SO I HAVE NO CHOICE!

FWIP

I LURED YOU HERE!

HEH... YOU THINK YOU CHASED ME IN HERE?

ACTUALLY ...

BOOOM

SSSSS

BOOM BOOM BOOM
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ガラガラ…
CLATTER

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NOW THAT I KNOW YOU ARE AKATSUKI …

…I'M NOT LETTING YOU GET AWAY.

OH DEAR… WE'VE BEEN SHUT IN, KAKUZU.

NO PROBLEM… IN FACT, IT'S BETTER THIS WAY.

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WELL, NOW...

...YOU SWEAR TO KILL ME, EH? IS THAT IT?

YOU KNOW, WHEN PEOPLE SAY SUCH THINGS TO ME...

...I GET IRRITATED.

...I SWEAR I WILL KILL YOU!!

UPON MY NAME, NII YUGITO OF KUMO-GAKURE...

AND ...

...WHEN I GET IRRITATED, I LOSE MY TEMPER.

AND WHEN I LOSE MY TEMPER ...

SHUT UP, HIDAN.

ENOUGH, HIDAN.

THE MISSION IS ABSOLUTE.

BUT YOU KNOW, WHEN I LOSE MY TEMPER, I START THINKING *WHO CARES ABOUT THE MISSION, IT'S TIME TO ATTACK.*

YES, YES.

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TOTAL SLAUGHTER IS THE MOTTO OF THE CHURCH OF JASHIN.

THERE'S EVEN AN ACTUAL COMMANDMENT THAT PROHIBITS HALF-KILLING.

BUT THESE ASSIGNMENTS JUST DON'T FIT WITH MY BELIEF SYSTEM.

AND SINCE...

...IT'S SO BOTHER-SOME NOT TO BE ABLE TO KILL YOU...

DESPITE HOW IT MIGHT SEEM, I'M A PRETTY PIOUS MAN!

SO I REALLY DON'T FEEL LIKE DOING A JOB...

...THAT REQUIRES ME TO BREAK A COMMANDMENT!

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WHAT THE...?

NEGO-TATION ...?

...PERHAPS WE COULD RESOLVE THIS THROUGH NEGO-TIATION?

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OH, COME ON. JUST SURRENDER, WHY DON'T YOU?

WWOOOSH

YOU MUST BE JOKING !!

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WWOOO

I'LL TAKE THAT AS A NO, THEN...

ARE YOU AN IDIOT, HIDAN?

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WHAT THE...? THIS JINCHURIKI HOST...

...SHE'S COMPLETELY TURNED HERSELF OVER TO HER TAILED BEAST SPIRIT!

GLOMP

SWOOP

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SLAM

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OH NO!

FWOOOO ウウウウウ

AGH!

BLAAAZE

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TAK

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KABOOM

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OUCH, HOT!

I THOUGHT CAT TONGUES COULDN'T TOLERATE HEAT.

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SO THIS IS THE TWO-TAILED CAT DEMON THAT'S BEEN CALLED A WRAITH...

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HEH HEH...

...WHAT A JOKE...

I GUESS THAT MAKES ME A TRAPPED MOUSE, THEN.

KNOCK KNOCK

SO WHAT DID YOU WANT TO DISCUSS?

ACTUALLY...

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OH, KURENAI ...

WHAT'S UP?

I HEARD ASUMA WAS HERE.

THERE YOU ARE.

CLATTER カタッ

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NAH, IT'S NO RUSH. NEXT TIME'S FINE.

LATER.

I SEE...

SO WHERE WERE WE, ASUMA?

NOW IT'S REALLY GOING TO BOTHER ME...

SHUP ﾌｲｯ

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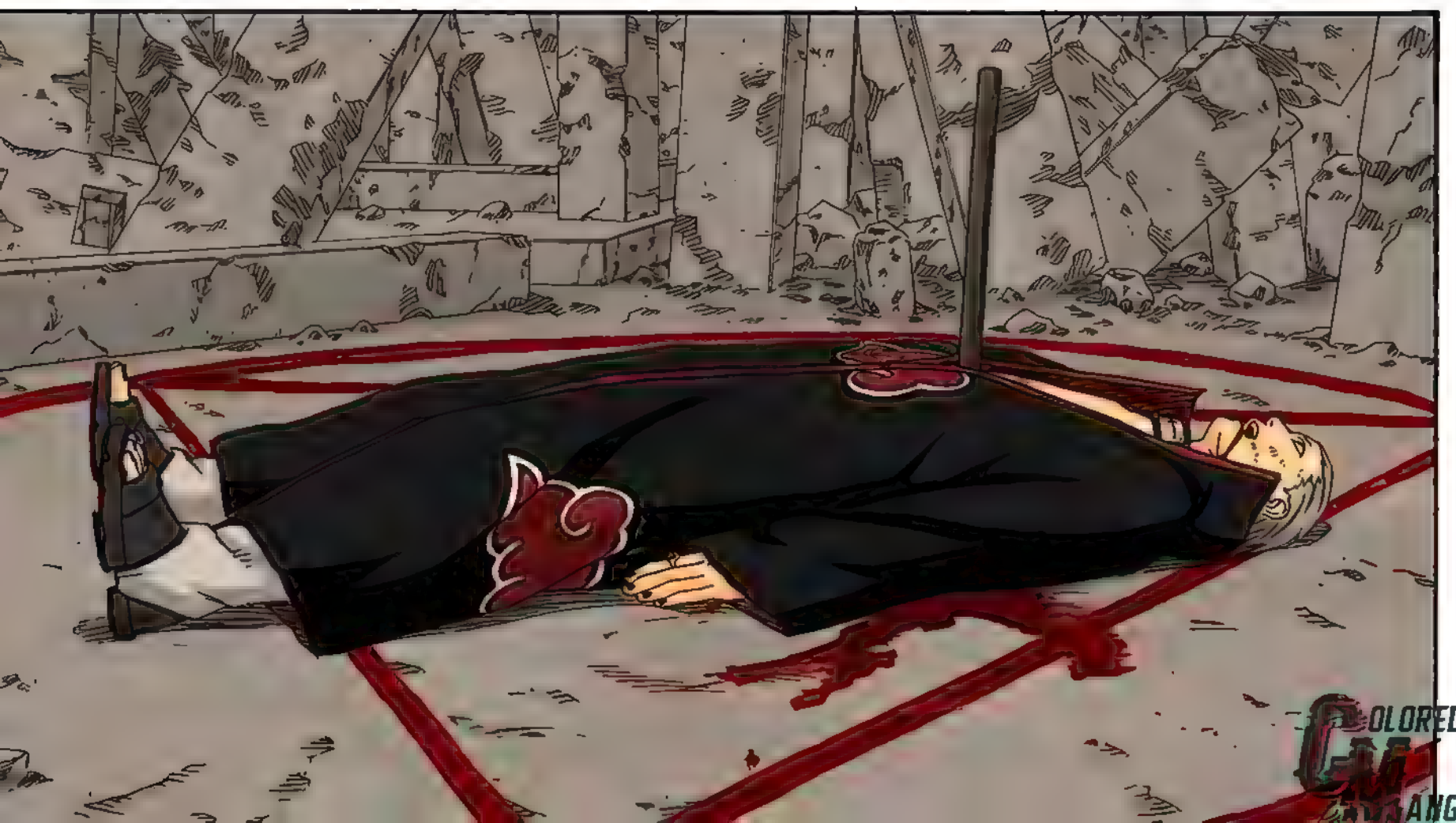
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IT'S BEEN 30 MINUTES ...ARE YOU DONE YET, HIDAN?

GRRR

SHUT UP!

DON'T INTERRUPT THE RITUAL!!

TWITCH

THWUP

OWW...

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AND HOW DARE YOU MENTION ABBREVIATING IT!

THAT'S BLASPHEMY!!

LET'S GET GOING ALREADY.

I FIND IT TEDIOUS, BUT A COMMANDMENT IS A COMMANDMENT. IT MUST BE OBEYED.

YOU PERFORM THAT VULGAR PRAYER EACH AND EVERY TIME.

CAN'T YOU ABBREVIATE IT AT ALL?

IT'S LIKE FINDING A NEEDLE IN A HAY STACK...

WE STILL HAVE ONE ASSIGN-MENT LEFT...

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THE LAND OF FIRE'S NEXT.

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HAVE YOU FINISHED YOUR LONG-WINDED RITUAL?

IT'S DONE.

ZZURP

THE ONLY THING YOU CAN HAVE FAITH IN IS YOUR-SELF.

SORROW BEGETS SOLITUDE.

IGNORANT HEATHENS, THE LOT OF YOU.

YOU AS WELL?

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IT'S BECAUSE OF YOUR SIDE JOB THAT OUR SEARCH FOR THE JINCHURIKI HOSTS HAS BEEN DELAYED.

BESIDES WHICH...

AND THERE YOU GO AGAIN!

WRONG.

THE ONLY THING YOU CAN HAVE FAITH IN IS MONEY.

ENOUGH. YOU TWO, HEAD OUT TO YOUR NEXT HUNT RIGHT AWAY.

LEAVE THE TWO-TAILS TO ME...

MONEY IS IMPOR-TANT...

IF ANYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO COMPLAIN, IT'S ME, THE AKATSUKI'S PURSE-HOLDER.

LOOK, I ONLY TEAMED UP WITH YOU BECAUSE YOU SAID RELIGION IS PROFITABLE.

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A TEMPLE? YOU SURE THIS IS THE PLACE?

WE'LL SEE.

SMASH

(FIRE TEMPLE)

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THIS IS NO ORDINARY TEMPLE...

...SO THE ODDS ARE GOOD.

FWSSH...

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ALERT LORD CHIRIKU!

SOMEONE'S BROKEN THROUGH THE IRON WALL BARRIER!

WHAT'S GOING ON?!

THOSE ROBES... THEY LOOK LIKE...

THERE'S NO MISTAKE, THEY'RE FROM THE AKATSUKI!

THEY DON'T LOOK VERY WILLING TO CONVERT TO THE CHURCH OF JASHIN...

WHO ARE THEY?

INTRU-DERS!

SHFF

STOMP

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I'LL GO.

TELL THE OTHERS TO COVER ME.

MEMBERS OF THE AKATSUKI!

I KNEW THEY WOULD COME CALLING SOMEDAY, BUT...

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NOT JUST VIRTUOUS. ACCORDING TO OUR BINGO BOOK, HIS HEAD'S WORTH 30 MILLION!

AH, ANOTHER HIGHLY VIRTUOUS SORT...

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...NO MATTER WHERE YOU ARE!

AND THEY SAY MONEY TALKS...

KILLING A MONK FOR WORLDLY GAIN IS A TICKET STRAIGHT TO DAMNATION!

HEY... WE ARE NOT HERE TO COLLECT A BOUNTY!

THAT'S NOT ONE OF MY BELIEFS THOUGH.

NOT GOING TO KILL US WITHOUT A CAUSE, EH?

...BUT TURN AROUND AND GO HOME!

I DO NOT KNOW WHAT BUSINESS BRINGS YOU HERE...

IT'S SAID THAT ALL THE MONKS WIELD A SPECIAL POWER KNOWN AS THE *GIFT OF THE HOLY FOLK.*

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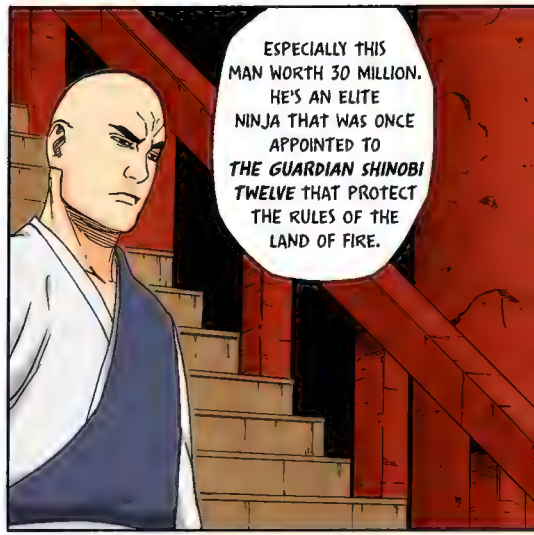
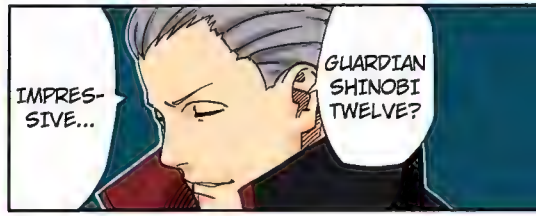

ESPECIALLY THIS MAN WORTH 30 MILLION. HE'S AN ELITE NINJA THAT WAS ONCE APPOINTED TO THE GUARDIAN SHINOBI TWELVE THAT PROTECT THE RULES OF THE LAND OF FIRE.



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HEH HEH HEH.

OK, TIME TO GET TO WORK.

DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT I LIKE THIS...

WELL, YOU KNOW ...IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE YOU'VE TAUGHT ME, KAKASHI-SENSEI...

SOME-THING FUNNY ...?

LAUGH WHILE YOU STILL CAN, NARUTO.

HA HA HA.

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HEH... ニコ...

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A JUTSU THAT GOES BEYOND THE RASENGAN.

LIKE I TOLD YOU AT THE HOSPITAL ...

...THE GOAL OF THIS TRAINING IS TO CREATE AN ULTIMATE NINJUTSU THAT'S UNIQUELY YOURS.

TIME'S NOT PASSING ANY SLOWER.

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CHANGE IN FORM... AND CHANGE IN NATURE?

IN ORDER TO DO THAT, YOU'LL NEED TO AQUIRE TWO TECHNIQUES...

...THAT OF CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE AND CHANGE IN CHAKRA FORM.

AND THEN I CHANGE ITS FORM SO IT'LL DISCHARGE...

...AND SET ITS RANGE OF ACTION AND POWER LEVEL.

FIRST, I CHANGE MY CHAKRA'S NATURE SO IT'S LIKE AN ELECTRICAL CURRENT.

THAT'S RIGHT... FOR EXAMPLE, TAKE THE CHIDORI.

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...SO A CHANGE IN NATURE IS NOT NECESSARY.

THE RASENGAN MERELY REQUIRES ONE TO COMPRESS AND ROTATE ONE'S CHAKRA AT HIGH SPEED...

BECAUSE ...IT ONLY INVOLVES A CHANGE IN FORM.

IN THAT REGARD, THE RASENGAN IS DIFFERENT FROM THE CHIDORI...

TO ACHIEVE JUTSU MORE POWERFUL THAN THE RASENGAN, YOU'LL NEED TO BE ABLE TO EXECUTE A CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE AS WELL.

CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE, HUH...

WHAT I WAS ABOUT TO EXPLAIN TO YOU EARLIER WAS A METHOD THAT COULD SHORTEN THAT TIME CONSIDERABLY.

HOWEVER, IT NORMALLY TAKES A MASSIVE AMOUNT OF TIME TO ACQUIRE THESE TECHNIQUES.

I DON'T THINK HE REALLY UNDERSTANDS, BUT SINCE HE'S MORE OF A DIRECT LEARNER, I GUESS IT'S ALL RIGHT...

CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE!

GOT IT!

THUMP

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IT'S...

HOLD YOUR HORSES, I'M GETTING TO IT.

OKAY...

...SO WHAT IS IT?

火影

(HOKAGE)

...I FINALLY UNDERSTAND SOME OF WHAT YOU WERE ALWAYS SAYING...

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I'M SORRY I USED TO DUCK OUT OF KONOHA TO BE ON MY OWN...

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NOT THAT I REGRET ANY OF IT.

YOU FULFILLED YOUR DUTY AS OUR VILLAGE LEADER...

TWITCH

...MAYBE IT WASN'T SO BAD BEING BORN INTO THE SARUTOBI CLAN AFTER ALL.

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(HOKAGE)

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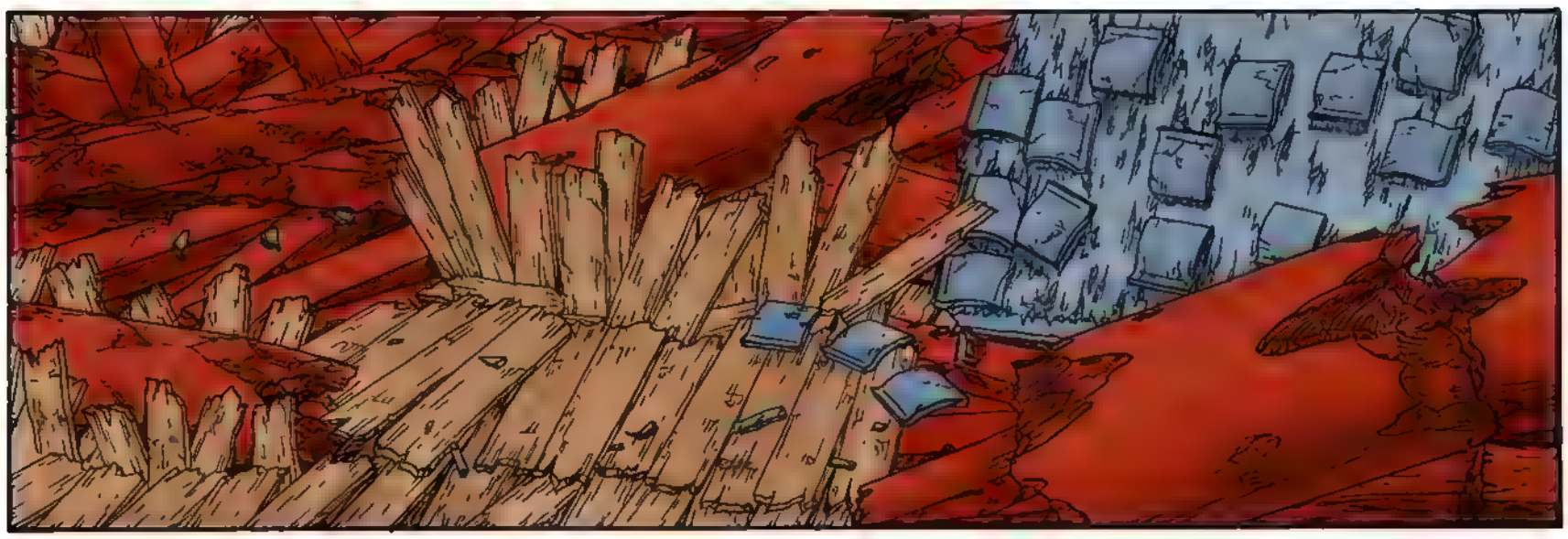
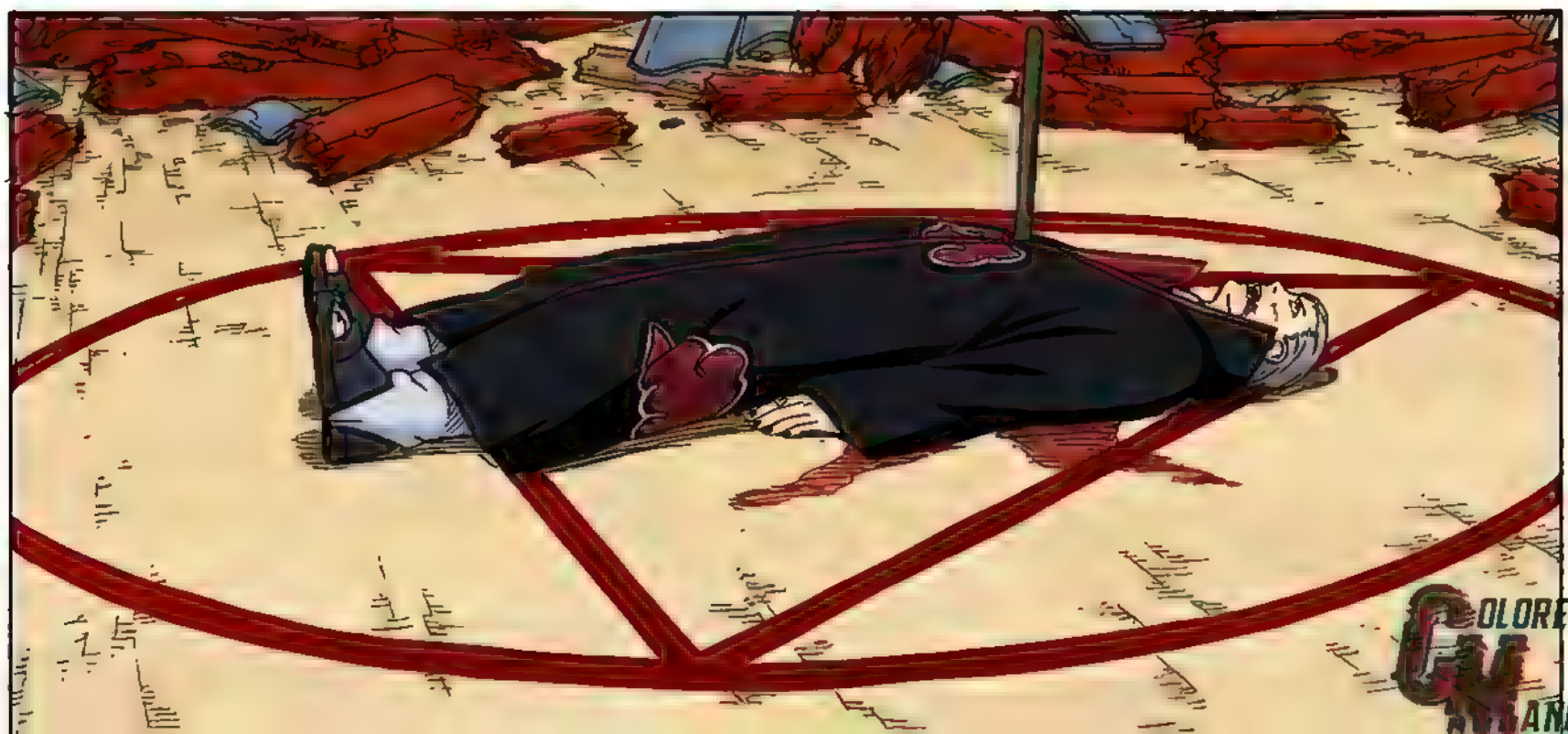
...AND YOU WERE A REALLY COOL DAD...

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WHEN I'M DONE WITH MY PRAYERS, LET'S MOVE ON TO OUR NEXT THING.

OH WELL. GUESS THERE WEREN'T ANY JINCHURIKI HOSTS HERE.

OOF! //

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NO...

FSH...

YOU KNOW SOME-THING ...

...YOU ARE REALLY STARTING TO IRRITATE ME...

WE'RE TAKING HIS BODY TO THE COLLECTION OFFICE.

MONEY FIRST.

FLUMP

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FWSH

I'VE GOT TO LET KONOHA KNOW...

OWW!!

GREAT MORE DELAYS!

THE LAND OF FIRE IS VAST... WE'RE GOING TO TAKE OUR TIME HERE.

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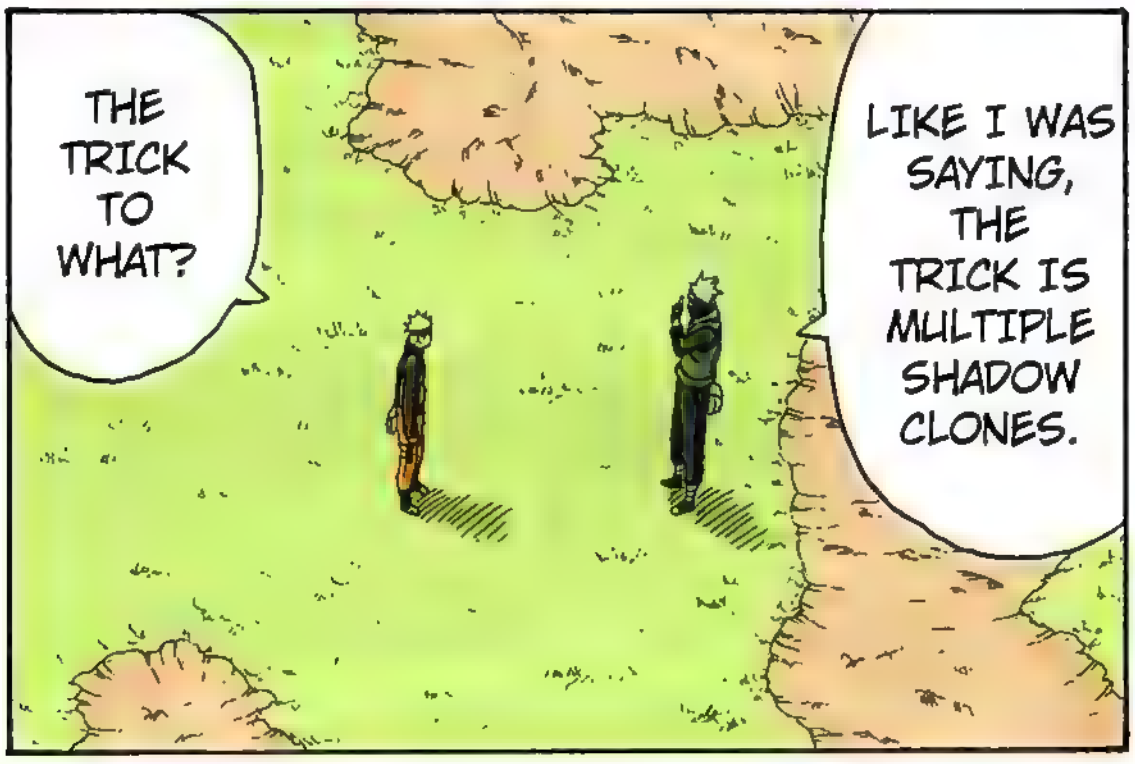

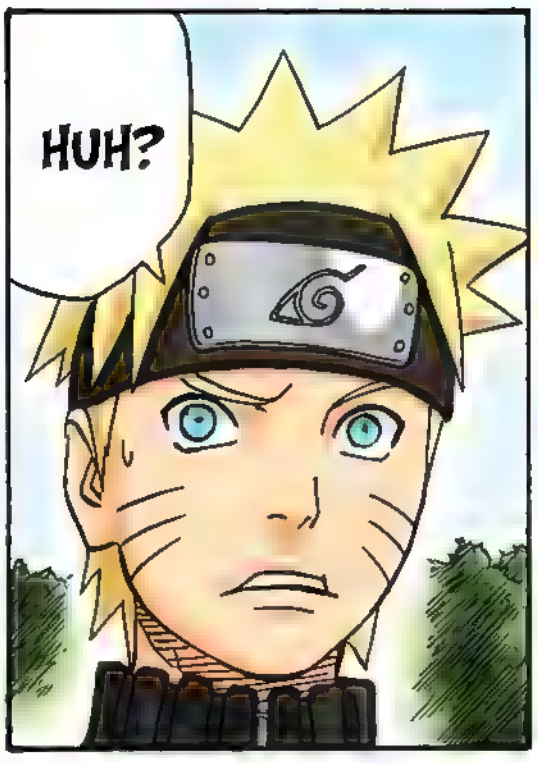

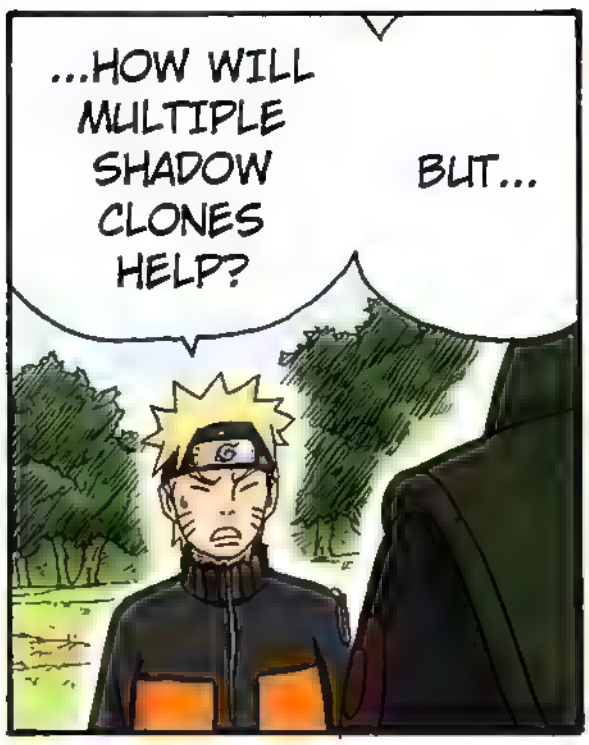

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YES, SIR! BUT YOU BETTER KEEP IT SIMPLE.

FINE.

I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN YOU'D ASK.

ALL RIGHT, I'LL EXPLAIN ...

...BUT YOU BETTER PAY ATTENTION.

IN OTHER WORDS, YOU CAN SAY THAT IT IS A CLONE-PRODUCING NINJUTSU.

ORDINARY CLONE

SHADOW CLONE

AS YOU ALREADY KNOW, THE ART OF THE SHADOW CLONE...

...CREATES ACTUAL COPIES OF ONESELF, NOT JUST ILLUSIONS LIKE THE ORDINARY CLONE JUTSU.

ON WHAT?

AS SOMEONE WHO USES SHADOW CLONES A LOT, YOU MAY HAVE PICKED UP ON THIS ALREADY...

HOWEVER, THIS JUTSU ALSO IMPARTS A SPECIAL EFFECT TO ITS USER.

I KNOW THIS BECAUSE I TOO CAN MAKE SHADOW CLONES, THOUGH NOT QUITE AS MANY AS YOU...

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.....

...IS DESPOSITED INTO YOUR OWN MEMORY BANK.

WHEN YOU RELEASE THE JUTSU, AND YOU'RE BACK TO JUST YOU...

...WHATEVER ALL YOUR CLONES HAVE EXPERIENCED...

I DON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

OKAY, SO YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED.

I TOLD YOU TO KEEP IT SIMPLE.

BOOF

ART OF THE SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGER!

ALL RIGHT... LET'S BOTH JUST MAKE SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGERS, OK?

SIGH ...

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FWHISH...

THE CLONE TEAM WILL GO HIDE IN THOSE WOODS OVER THERE...

...CLONE NARUTO, FOLLOW ME.

GOOD! NOW, SPLIT UP INTO A TEAM OF ORIGINALS AND A TEAM OF CLONES...

SHUP

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WHY?

...LET'S PLAY ROSHAMBO.

JUST DO IT.

...US CLONES HERE IN THE WOODS...

NOW, WHILE THE ORIGINALS CAN'T SEE...

TA—

ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS!

DAA

WHAT ARE OUR CLONES DOING?

DON'T WORRY, YOU'LL SEE SOON ENOUGH.

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YES, SIR!

ALL RIGHT THEN. LET'S RELEASE THE JUTSU AND BE DONE WITH IT.

WOO-HOO! I WON!

BOOF

BOOF

WELL?

DO YOU KNOW WHAT OUR CLONES JUST DID?

FLICKER

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THE CLONES' EXPERIENCES GET LOGGED INTO OUR MEMORY BANKS.

NOW DO YOU UNDER-STAND?

WE PLAYED ROSHAMBO, AND I WON!

ORIGINALLY, THIS JUTSU WAS USED FOR PARTICULARLY TRICKY INTELLIGENCE GATHERING...

...LIKE TRAVERSING DANGEROUS TERRAIN OR INFILTRATING ENEMY STRONG-HOLDS.

GUESS I JUST KINDA RANDOMLY MADE SHADOW DOPPELGANGERS IN THE PAST SO I NEVER EVEN NOTICED.

WOW...

HOW LORD JIRAIYA FOUND THE PATIENCE TO TEACH THIS KID THE RASENGAN IS COMPLETELY BEYOND ME...

YES, YES, I'M STILL GETTING TO THAT.

BUT HOW DOES ALL THIS RELATE...

...TO SHORTENING MY TRAINING PERIOD?

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...BASICALLY, IF YOU AND ONE SHADOW DOPPELGANGER DO THE SAME EXERCISE SIMULTANEOUSLY ...

...YOU'LL RACK UP TWICE THE EXPERIENCE.

WELL, COME ON!

TELL ME!

THREE OF YOU WOULD ONLY TAKE A THIRD OF THE TIME.

...IF TWO OF YOU TRAIN TOGETHER, WE CUT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TRAINING TIME IN HALF.

IN OTHER WORDS ...

YEAH! OK!

ONE THOUSAND OF YOU WOULD GET IT DONE IN 1/1000 OF THE TIME.

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...COULD BE LEARNED IN ONE WEEK WITH 1000 CLONES.

SKILLS THAT WOULD TAKE 20 YEARS TO MASTER...

WOW... THAT'S A LOT...

JUST IMAGINE IT... ACCOMPLISH-ING IN ONE DAY WHAT WOULD NORMALLY TAKE TWO.

THAT'S GENIUS!

WOW!!

AYE, SIR!

THIS TRAINING TO ACHIEVE CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE THAT WE'RE ABOUT TO START...

...IT MEANS WE'RE GOING TO USE MULTIPLE SHADOW DOPPELGANGERS THE WHOLE TIME.

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NOPE.

I'VE NEVER USED THIS METHOD BEFORE.

THIS IS HOW YOU'VE BEEN TRAINING, HUH?

NOW I KNOW WHY YOU'RE SO STRONG, MASTER KAKASHI!

I SIMPLY DON'T HAVE THE KIND OF POWER YOU DO.

I DO...

...BUT I CAN'T MAINTAIN THEM LONG ENOUGH.

HUH??? WHY NOT?

IF YOU HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE MULTIPLE SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGERS ...

...I HAVE MORE CHAKRA THAN YOU DO??

WAIT A SEC...

AND A JUTSU THAT FORCES ME TO DIVIDE AND DISPERSE MY CHAKRA INTO EQUAL PORTIONS...

...ISN'T GOOD FOR ME, NOT HAVING A LOT OF CHAKRA TO BEGIN WITH.

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SO I'M LIKE SUPER AMAZING, HUH?!

NO WAY! REALLY ????

ABOUT FOUR TIMES MORE.

...IT WOULD BE 100 TIMES MORE.

IF YAMATO WASN'T SUPPRESSING THE NINE-TAILS' CHAKRA...

!

... NARUTO.

AND THAT'S WHY THIS TRAINING TECHNIQUE ALSO ONLY WORKS FOR YOU...

CRUNCH

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CAPTAIN YAMATO!

.....

KAKASHI ASKED ME TO HELP OUT WITH YOUR TRAINING.

SINCE I'M NEEDED TO CONTROL THE NINE TAILS' CHAKRA.

.....

SURE!!

PATIENCE ...I MUST EXPLAIN THE CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE.

THANKS, SIR!

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FIVE TYPES ...

...THAT'S IT?

FUNDAMENTALLY, THERE ARE ONLY FIVE TYPES OF CHAKRA NATURES.

THESE FIVE NATURES ARE ALSO THE ORIGIN OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL SHINOBI TERRITORIES' NAMES... AND THE FOUNDATION FOR ALL NINJUTSU.

火 水 風 土 雷

FIRE, WIND, WATER LIGHTNING, AND EARTH.

(DIAGRAM CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: FIRE, WIND, LIGHTNING, EARTH, WATER)

FOR EXAMPLE, MEMBERS OF THE UCHIHA CLAN ALL POSSESS A FIERY NATURE...

...WHICH IS WHY THEY EXCEL AT FIRE STYLE JUTSU.

MOST EVERYONE'S CHAKRA FITS ONE OF THESE NATURES.

WOW... I HAD NO IDEA...

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...SASUKE POSSESSES BOTH FIRE AND LIGHTNING THEN, HUH...

...WHICH MEANS...

FOR EXAMPLE, THE CHIDORI IS A TYPE OF LIGHTNING STYLE JUTSU.

WIND NATURE LEADS TO WIND STYLE JUTSU...

...AND LIGHTNING NATURE TO LIGHTNING STYLE JUTSU.

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SWISH...

...AND YOU SEEM TO HAVE NONE.

NOT ONLY THAT, WE STILL DON'T EVEN KNOW WHICH NATURE YOU'RE PREDISPOSED TO.

SHFF

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FFWT

SO WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT USING THESE SLIPS OF PAPER.

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CRINKLE

クシャッ

HOW?

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IF YOU HAVE LIGHTNING NATURE, THE PAPER WILL WRINKLE.

?

WATER NATURE, THE PAPER BECOMES WET.

AND EARTH NATURE, THE PAPER CRUMBLES.

WITH WIND NATURE, THE PAPER TEARS.

FIRE NATURE, THE PAPER BURNS.

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YOU CAN FIND OUT YOUR TRUE NATURE SIMPLY BY RUNNING YOUR CHAKRA THROUGH THE SLIP.

FFT

THESE ARE LITMUS PAPERS THAT REACT TO CHAKRA.

THEY'RE MADE FROM A UNIQUE SPECIES OF TREE THAT ABSORBS AND GROWS FROM CHAKRA.

ALL RIGHT ...

.....

THIP

.....

AAH!

HAH!

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!!!!

WELL THEN, LET'S GET STARTED ...

...WITH ***WIND*** CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE TRAINING.

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316: LET THE TRAINING BEGIN!!

YOUR CHAKRA NATURE IS WIND.

...ABLE TO CUT, TEAR, AND SEVER ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH.

IT'S A CHAKRA NATURE THAT'S UNRIVALED IN BATTLE POWER...

WIND...

...HMM?

...SO YOU CAN PROPERLY USE AND CONTROL YOUR NATURE.

KAKASHI-SENSEI'S RIGHT. FIRST, YOU MUST BE TRAINED ...

I KNEW IT! I KNEW I WAS UNSTOPPABLE!

WOAH, NARUTO. HOLD YOUR HORSES. WE'VE ONLY JUST FIGURED THIS OUT.

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JUST WONDERING ...

...WHICH NATURE DOES YOUR WOOD STYLE JUTSU FALL UNDER, CAPTAIN YAMATO?

.....

WHAT?

WHISPER

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FWP

HEY! WHAT ?!

THUDTHUDTHUDTHUDTHUD

EARTH STYLE! RAM-PART OF FLOW-ING SOIL !!

FWP

SPURT

水遁・滝壺の術!!

WATER STYLE! ART OF WATERFALL BASIN!!

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I HAVE BOTH EARTH AND WATER CHAKRA NATURES, NARUTO.

SPROING

THOOOM

WHOA! WATER-FALL! COOL!

YOU HAVE TWO TOO, CAPTAIN YAMATO?! AWE-SOME!

NO, NO, THAT'S NOT QUITE IT.

?

SO... INCLUDING HIS WOOD STYLE... CAPTAIN YAMATO HAS THREE?!

ONCE YOU HIT JONIN RANK, ALMOST EVERYONE HAS AT LEAST TWO NATURES.

I CAN USE NATURES OTHER THAN JUST LIGHTNING Y'KNOW.

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YOU SEE, TECHNICALLY, THERE IS NO WOOD NATURE.

I CAN ONLY USE EARTH AND WATER NATURES.

IF YOU ACTIVATE EARTH AND WATER NATURES TOGETHER...

...YOU CAN CREATE A WOOD NATURE.

YOU USE THE TWO SIMULTA-NEOUSLY.

THEN HOW?

CLAP

EARTH WITH MY RIGHT HAND.

WATER WITH MY LEFT.

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ZWOO

ZWOO

HRRRMMM...

THUDTHUDTHUD

WHEN ONE POSSESSES TWO CHAKRA NATURES...

...IT'S NOT THAT DIFFICULT TO USE EACH NATURE SEPARATELY.

SPURT

SWEET ...

THIS ABILITY TO ACTIVATE TWO NATURES AT THE SAME TIME...

...AND CREATE AN ENTIRELY NEW CHAKRA NATURE...

BUT TO ACTIVATE BOTH OF THEM SIMULTAN-EOUSLY...

(EARTH)

(WATER)

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YEAH...

YOU KNOW THAT PHRASE, RIGHT?

...IS KNOWN AS KEKKEI GENKAI.

AND HE COULD PERFORM SUCH A SPECIAL JUTSU BECAUSE HE WAS OF A KEKKEI GENKAI-BEARING CLAN.

HE WAS ABLE TO MANIPULATE WIND AND WATER CHANGES IN CHAKRA NATURE SIMULTANEOUSLY TO CREATE ICE.

REMEMBER OUR FIGHT WITH HAKU?

HE HAD A KEKKEI GENKAI CALLED ***HYOTON***, OR ICE RELEASE.

THAT'S WHY I COULDN'T COPY HIS JUTSU WITH MY SHARINGAN.

HAKU, TOO ...?

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THEN WHAT ABOUT SHIKAMARU'S SHADOW POSSESSION OR CHOJI'S ART OF EXPANSION?

ALL RIGHT, TIME TO START EXPLAINING YOUR EXERCISE ...

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...AND WILL ONLY END UP CONFUSING YOU IN THE END...

MM... IT'S GOING TO TAKE TOO LONG TO EXPLAIN...

AND HOW DO MEDICAL NINJUTSU AND GENJUTSU WORK?

WE SHOULD START THE EXERCISE.

WHY DON'T YOU LEAVE THE IMPLICIT AND EXPLICIT ASPECTS OF CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE UNTIL NEXT TIME, KAKASHI?

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FIRST, WE'RE GOING TO PRACTICE MAKING YOUR CHAKRA'S CHANGE OF NATURE STRONGER.

ALL RIGHT! LET'S BEGIN.

YUP.

.....

?

...TEAR IT COMPLETELY IN TWO.

YOU'RE GOING TO HOLD A LEAF BETWEEN YOUR PALMS, AND USING JUST YOUR CHAKRA...

RIGHT! STRONGER! HOW...?

EASY!

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...THIS MANY?

OK... HOW MANY?

AS I TOLD YOU EARLIER, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE SHADOW CLONES HELP.

WELL...

...AT ONE LEAF PER CLONE...

JAB

FWP

KAGE-BUNSHIN NO JUTSU! ART OF THE SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGER !!

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KLIK

YOU NEED TO BE ABLE TO MAKE SUCH PLAYS AT TIMES.

IT'S ACTING AS THE INFILTRATION OF THE ENEMY CAMP.

LET'S TAKE OUR TIME AND NOT RUSH.

IT'S UNUSUAL FOR YOU TO USE THE CLIMBING SILVER MOVE RIGHT AWAY.

KLIK

.....

...IN ORDER TO PROTECT ONE'S KING.

AGAINST A SUPERIOR OPPONENT, ONE MUST MAKE SOME SACRIFICES ...

JUST LIKE ME...

I THOUGHT YOU HATED MOVES LIKE THIS?

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IT'S JUST THAT I'M FINALLY...

...STARTING TO REALIZE THE VALUE OF THE KING.

NOTHING REALLY.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

HOOO...

IF KONOHA'S SHINOBI WERE LIKENED TO SHOGI PIECES...

...SHIKAMARU, RIGHT NOW, YOU'D BE A KNIGHT.

WELL, ONE LOSES IF ONE'S KING IS TAKEN...

...SO...

...IS SIMILAR TO YOUR QUICK WIT AND UN-PREDICTABLE MIND.

KNIGHTS MAY BE WEAK, BUT THEY CAN ADVANCE BY LEAPING OVER OTHER PIECES. SUCH UNIQUE MOVEMENT...

HOW SO?

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WHAT ABOUT YOU?

.....

A SACRIFICIAL PIECE HUH..

KLIK

KLIK

I'M NOTHING SPECIAL, JUST...

THEN...

...DO YOU KNOW WHO THE KING IS?

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...I USED TO THINK SO TOO.

BUT IT ACTUALLY ISN'T...

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ISN'T IT THE HOKAGE?

KLIK

THEN WHO...?

WHEN THE TIME COMES, YOU'LL KNOW.

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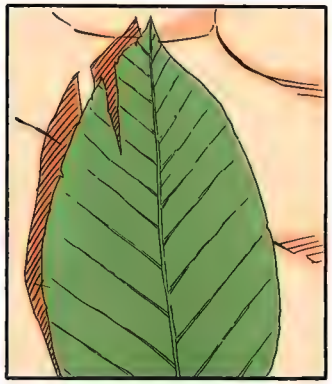

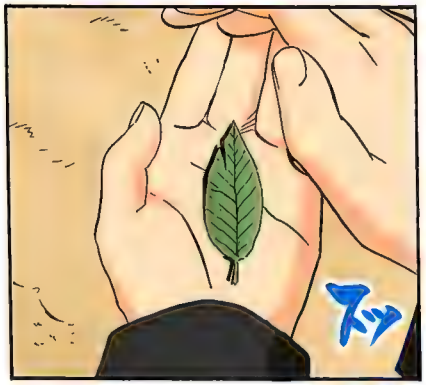

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SPLATTER

YOU DO IT!

YOU'RE AN OFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE AKATSUKI *HMMM*, TOBI.

THINK I'LL LET YOU TAKE THE LEAD THIS TIME, DEIDARA.

SO THIS IS THREE TAILS, HUH? LOOKS PRETTY STRONG...

...KINDA LIKE A GIANT TURTLE...

SPLASH

YAH!!

!

BUT...

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317: NIGHTMARES!!

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VOOOOSH

YAAAH, HE'S COMING AFTER ME!!

HMMM. YOU ARE RIDICU-LOUS...

YAA-AAH!!

THIS IS A STUPID MISTAKE IN PERSON-NEL SELEC-TION!

DON'T YOU THINK THEY SHOULD HAVE ASSIGNED KISAME AGAINST A WATER TYPE?!

HURL

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FWOOSH

SPLASH

SPLOOSH

YAAH!

SWISH

YEEAAGH!

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NO PROBLEMS SO FAR.

BUT PLEASE, I'M YAMATO RIGHT NOW, REMEMBER?

WELL? ARE YOU ABLE TO CONTROL THE NINE TAILS' CHAKRA EASILY...

... TENZO?

RIGHT, RIGHT.

YES!

I'M GETTING SOME-WHERE

HUF

HUF

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BUT YOU'RE ME.

HEH HEH, I'M BETTER THAN YOU ARE!

I'M NOT GETTING ANYWHERE YET!

GAH!

HEH HEH HEH ...

YES!

HOLD ON, KAKASHI-SENSEI. I HAVE A QUESTION...

!

...THAT ONE OF ME IS PRETTY GOOD.

GAH...

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CAN I?

YOU WANT TO ASK THEM FOR TIPS?

ISN'T THERE ANYONE ELSE IN KONOHA THAT HAS A WIND NATURE?

CHECK-MATE.

HE'S PROBABLY PLAYING SHOGI RIGHT NOW...

...THERE IS ONE IN PARTICULAR.

...AFTER OUR NEXT ASSIGNMENT, SENSEI.

LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE TREATING US TO THE DINNER AND PARTY...

ARGH! LOST AGAIN!

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YO!

TROT

ASUMA-SENSEI!

OH, ALL RIGHT ...

!?

ACTUALLY ...

...I WANTED TO ASK YOU SOMETHING.

KLUNK

WHAT'S UP?

OH... IT'S YOU, NARUTO.

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TRICK FOR MASTERING WIND CHANGE CHAKRA IN NATURE, EH...

YEAH!

THAT'S WHY I CAME TO ASK ASUMA-SENSEI FOR TIPS.

SURE YOU'RE UP TO THAT?

YOU CAN'T DO IT IF YOU AREN'T SHARP.

YUP!

YOU'RE DOING CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE DRILLS?

.....

SO WILL YOU HELP ME OR NOT?

WELL, I'LL BE.

...SO YOU HAVE WIND CHAKRA NATURE, HUH...

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HMM...

HEY! NOT COOL!

OK...

...HOW'S THIS? I'LL TELL YOU IF YOU AGREE TO PAY FOR TEAM ASUMA'S NEXT POST-MISSION BBQ DINNER.

KLATTA

KLATTA

GOOD! NEGOTI-ATIONS CON-CLUDED.

IF IT MEANS YOU'LL HELP ME? DEAL.

!

FWSH...

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THESE ARE MY CHAKRA BLADES.

BUZZZ

THEY ARE FORGED FROM A SPECIAL METAL THAT CAN ABSORB THE BEARER'S CHAKRA NATURE.

TAKE ONE.

.....

FFT

NOW TRY SENDING YOUR CHAKRA INTO THE BLADE.

NO PROB-LEM.

UNH!

CLENCH

MY CHAKRA LOOKS DIFFERENT FROM ASUMA-SENSEI'S.

BUZZZ

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...AS IF YOU'RE FINELY SHARPENING THE BLADE BETWEEN THE TWO PARTS.

IN ORDER TO ACTIVATE A WIND CHANGE IN NATURE, YOU HAVE TO IMAGINE SPLITTING YOUR CHAKRA INTO TWO...

...AND GRINDING THEM AGAINST EACH OTHER...

THAT'S RIGHT.

FINELY AND SHARPLY. THAT'S THE TRICK.

...SHARPENING THE BLADE, HUH...

.....

...WHEN WE ALREADY HAVE SHARP-EDGED NINJA TOOLS TO BEGIN WITH?

WHAT'S THE POINT OF USING THE WIND CHANGE IN NATURE...

YES...?

...I WAS JUST THINKING...

Y'KNOW...

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ALL RIGHT.

LET'S YOU AND ME TRY THROWING THESE CHAKRA BLADES AT THAT TREE OVER THERE, OK?

INSTEAD OF RUNNING CUTTING CHAKRA THROUGH CUTTING WEAPONS?

I MEAN, WOULDN'T IT BE EASIER AND FASTER TO JUST USE THOSE?

JUST DO IT. YOU'LL SEE.

CRUNCH CRUNCH

WHY ...?

.....

WHOOSH

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10TH

SWISH

VOOSH

...W-WHOA...

.....

THOCK

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...BUT IF I WANTED IT TO, I COULD'VE MADE IT PASS COMPLETELY THROUGH THAT ROCK TOO.

I ACTUALLY HELD BACK BECAUSE IT'S DANGEROUS ...

NOT ONLY DID IT GO THROUGH THE TREE, IT EVEN PIERCED THAT MASSIVE BOULDER BEHIND IT!

SERI-OUSLY ?!

YOU KNOW, THERE AREN'T THAT MANY WIND TYPES.

WIND CHANGE IN NATURE IS BEST SUITED FOR SHORT AND MIDDLE DISTANCE BATTLES.

...THE SHARPER BLADE DECIDES THE OUTCOME.

WHEN TWO SHINOBI OF EQUAL ABILITIES FACE EACH OTHER WITH BLADES...

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THANKS!

WILL DO!

FEEL FREE TO DROP BY ANYTIME WITH QUESTIONS.

AS LONG AS YOU'RE WILLING TO PAY.

WHAT THE? THAT WAS A CLONE?

BOOF

YOU'RE CRUEL ...

I THINK NARUTO FORGOT WE HAVE CHOJI ON OUR TEAM.

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FLICKER

FLICKER...

AND HE'S ALREADY MAKING GOOD USE OF THE ART OF THE SHADOW CLONE'S SPECIAL TRAIT, TOO.

IT SEEMS HE WAS ABLE TO GET SOME TIPS OUT OF ASUMA.

ALL RIGHT!

OH I SEE NOW!

EVEN MIGHTY CHIRIKU.

I SEE...

(SHADOW)

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THEY'RE FINALLY ON THE MOVE AGAIN.

THEY'RE PROBABLY GOING ALL AROUND THE LAND OF FIRE TO PLACES WHERE...

...JUNCHURIKI HOSTS ARE LIKELY TO BE, ON A HUNT...

...WHEN I RETURNED, IT WAS ALREADY TOO LATE...

I HAPPENED TO BE OUT ON PERIMETER PATROL...

.....

ALERT THE 20 NEWLY FORMED...

...PLATOONS IMMEDIATELY.

DON'T LET THEM LEAVE THE LAND OF FIRE.

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THOCK

318: SMOOTH TRAINING

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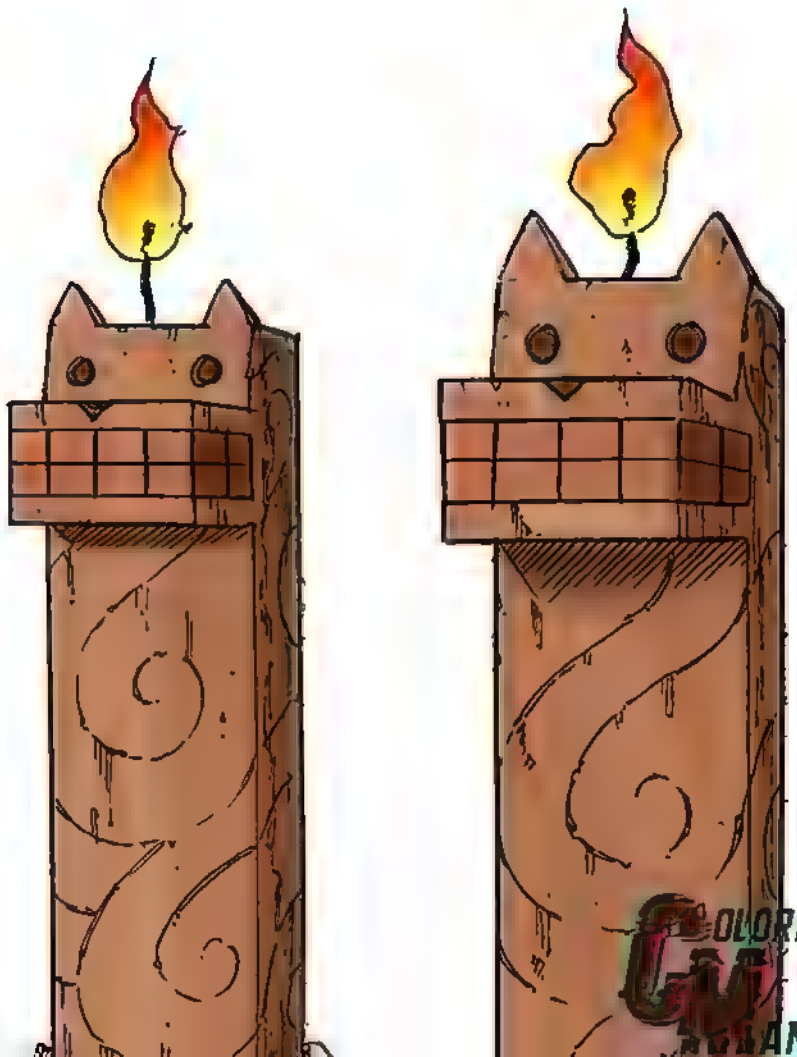
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RELEASE THE JUTSU WHILE REFLECTING ON THE EXERCISE.
ALL RIGHT! NOW LET'S LOG YOUR CUMULATIVE EXPERIENCES INTO YOUR MEMORY BANK.
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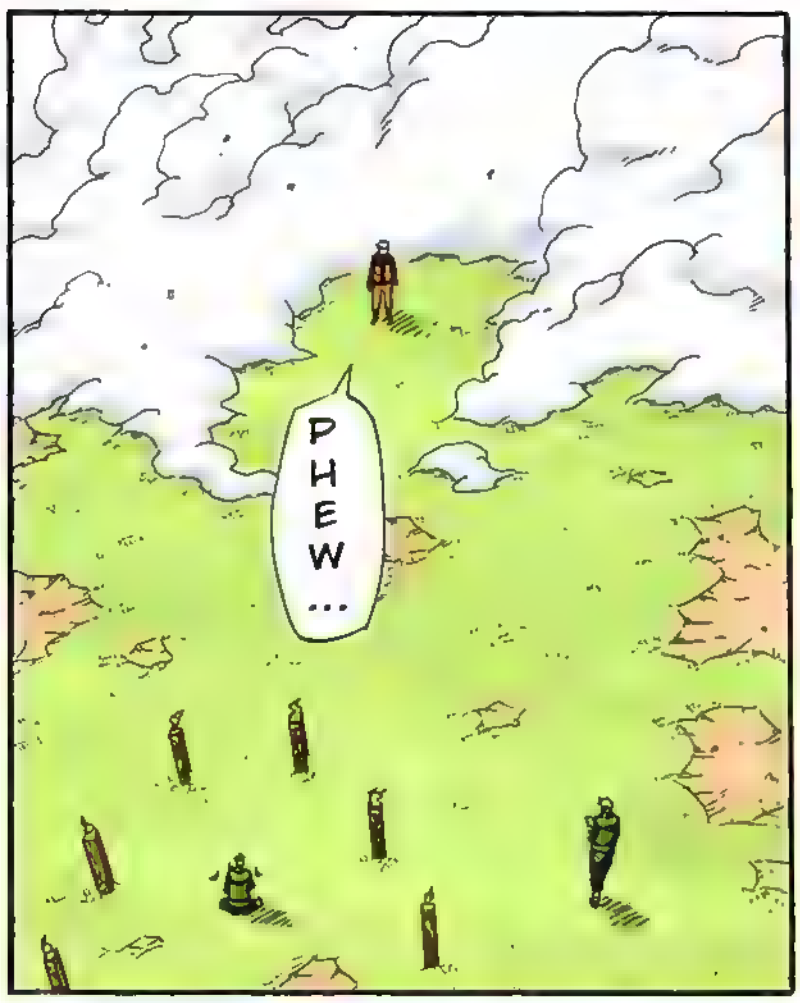

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PHEW
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FADE

FADE

WOOSH

.....

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I THINK I'M REALLY CLOSE ...

I CAN DO THIS.

TUMP

SHUP

FLUTTER

UNNH

SPLOOSH

UNFORTUNATELY, ALONG WITH ONE'S PHYSICAL EXPERIENCES ...

...THE MENTAL FATIGUE IS SUMMED AND LOGGED AS WELL.

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YAAAAY!!

I'M PRETTY AMAZING, AREN'T I?!

TO HAVE BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH SUCH A HUGE RESPONSIBILITY WHEN I'VE JUST BEEN MADE A FULL MEMBER...

...IT MEANS YOU ALL APPROVE OF ME, RIGHT?!

HE'S A GONER!

DEIDARA, SIR! DO YOU SEE MY JUTSU?!

THE CREDIT FOR THIS MASTERPIECE IS MINE ALONE, *HMMM?*

ACTUALLY... MY ARTFUL DETONATING CLAY DID THE HEAVY LIFTING.

.....

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BE CONCISE AND BE COOL. THESE ARE THE QUALITIES OF A TRUE AKATUSUKI MEMBER...

...AND THE ESSENCE OF THE ART OF DESTRUCTION.

MIND YOURSELF, TOBI. AND DO NOT FORGET YOUR PLACE IN THE RANKS.

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NO OFFENSE, SIR. BUT YOU SURE DO LIKE TO HEAR YOURSELF TALK...

...HA HA HA...

REMEMBER, TRUE ART RESULTS FROM A MOMENT OF PASSION ARISING OUT OF A SEA OF CALM...

GRRR

HUF

HUF

KABOOM

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JUST KIDD...

...AAAA-RRGH!

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YES!!

AT THIS RATE, I'LL MASTER THAT NEW JUTSU IN NO TIME!!

I AM AWE-SOME!

I DID IT!

BOOF BOOF BOOF

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WHICH, LET'S NOT FORGET, WAS MY GENIUS IDEA IN THE FIRST PLACE...

ACTUALLY... IT'S COMING QUICKLY BECAUSE OF THIS TRAINING METHOD.

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FLUTTER

WHAT-EVER! CAN WE JUST GET TO THE NEXT EXER...

YAMATO, LET'S TAKE A BREAK WHILE HE'S OUT.

TUMP

...AND YES, IT'S ONLY POSSIBLE BECAUSE YOU'RE YOU, NARUTO.

SHUP

BLINK...

.....

THOOM

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OH MAN! NOT AGAIN!

ガク…

HUP

WELCOME BACK.

…WITH THE NEXT STEP.

…WE'LL RESUME AFTER YOU'VE RESTED…

THIS TRAINING METHOD WEARS YOU OUT…

DOINK

AND WHAT'S THAT?

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IN ORDER TO SUCCEED, YOU'LL NEED TO ACTIVATE A LARGE AMOUNT OF CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE, EVEN IF JUST FOR AN INSTANT.

YOU'RE GOING TO LIFT YOUR PALMS AGAINST THE WATER AND SLAM WIND CHAKRA AGAINST IT TO CUT THE FLOW.

IF YOU CAN CLEAR THIS STAGE...

...YOU'LL AT LEAST BE ABLE TO USE IT IN ACTUAL BATTLES.

THOOM

RUU RUU RUU RUU

NO WAY! HOW??

NEXT, YOU'RE GOING TO CUT THAT WATER-FALL.

.....

HEH

SO THEN...

I'LL ALSO HAVE GAINED MY FIRST CHANGE IN NATURE, RIGHT?

.....

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REST OVER!

LET'S GET BACK TO TRAINING!

HUP

THIS TRAINING METHOD WAS A BRILLIANT SUCCESS ...

I NEVER IMAGINED HOW RAPIDLY THAT CLUMSY, AWKWARD NARUTO WOULD ACHIEVE CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE...

SPLOOSH

ART OF MULTIPLE SHADOW CLONES!!

THUD THUD THUD THUD

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LISTEN UP, TOBI, DON'T YOU DARE REST ON YOUR LAURELS, *HMMM?!*

SPLOOSH

NOT HAVING ENOUGH INTELLECT TO CONTROL HIS POWER, *HMMM?*

THREE TAILS WAS THAT MUCH WEAKER FOR LACKING A JINCHURIKI.

HEY, I SAID BE CONCISE AND COOL...

...NOT STOIC AND SILENT. TOBI...!

.....

FOLLOWED
MANGA.COM

GRRR

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SNOOZE...

SNOOZE...

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SNOOZE...

BOOM

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AAARGH!!

NOW, THAT IS A WAKE-UP CALL, HMMM?!

SHUP

SHUP

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YOU'RE THE ONE WHO KEEPS HARPING ABOUT MONEY. YOU CARRY HIM THE WHOLE WAY.

HEY, HEY, HEY.

YOUR TURN TO CARRY HIM.

WHAT?! WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?!

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OH PLEASE, KAKUZU, NOT THAT AGAIN.

I SWEAR I WILL KILL YOU SOMEDAY.

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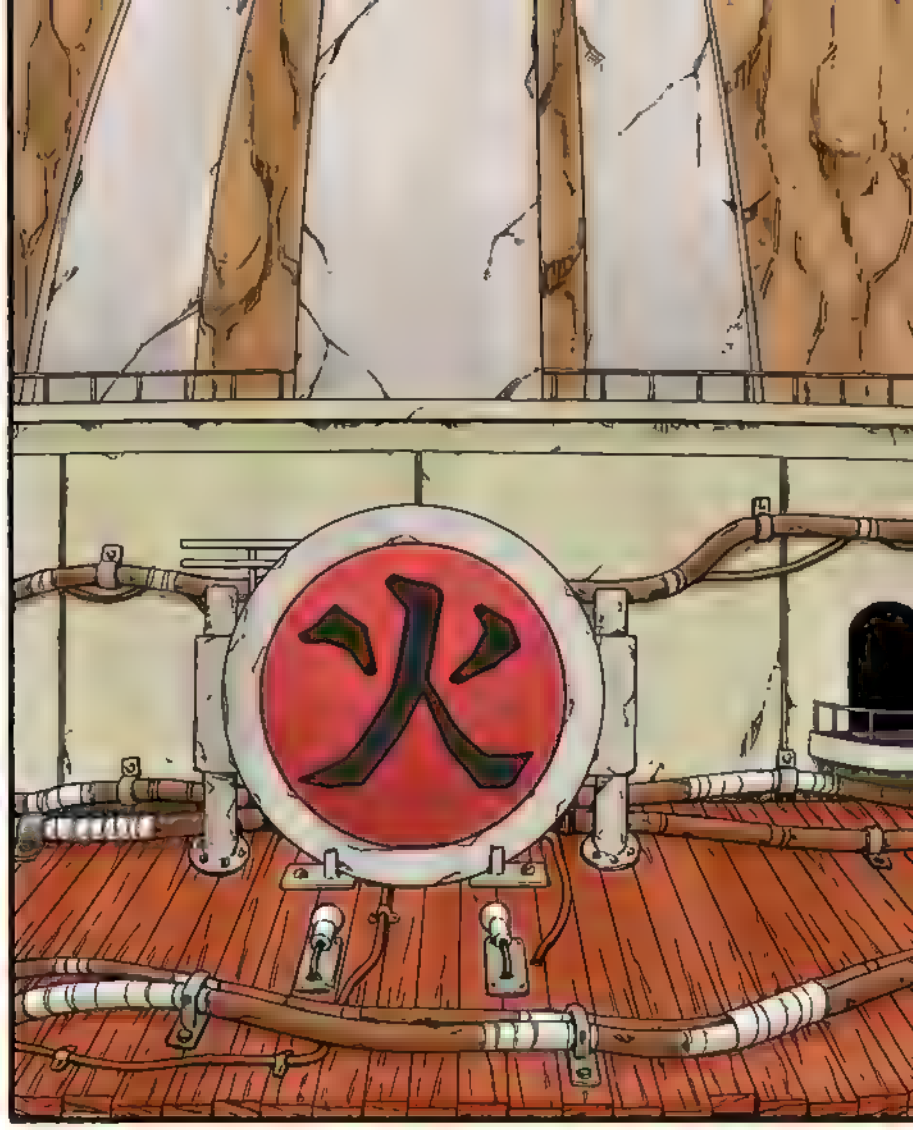

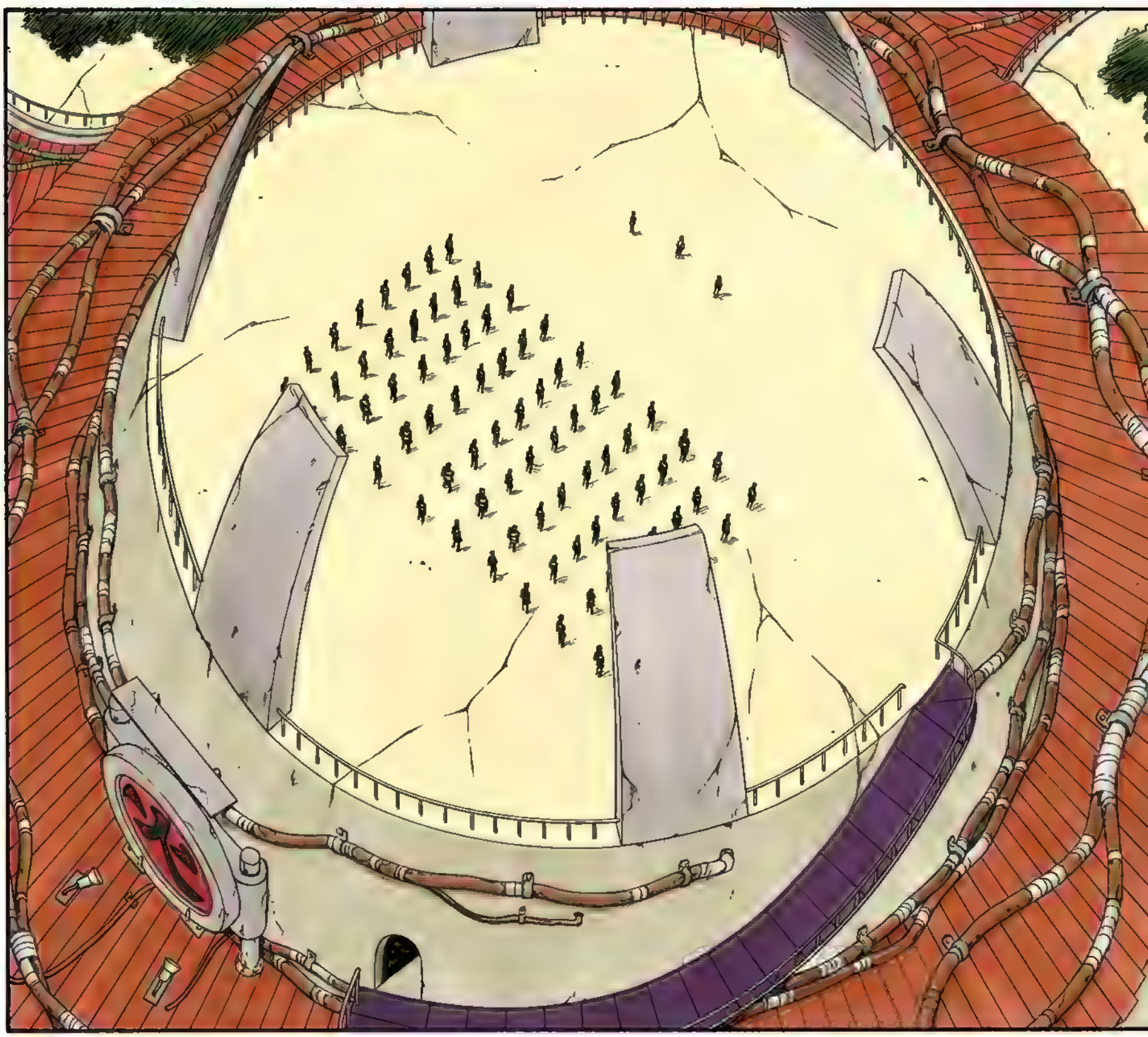

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WHAT IS IT, ASUMA?

WAVE

CHIRIKU, FORMERLY OF THE GUARDIAN SHINOBI TWELVE, SHOULD HAVE BEEN AT THAT TEMPLE.

WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?

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!

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LORD CHIRIKU FOUGHT AGAINST THEM...

.....

...AND DIED.

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.....

NO WAY...

CHIRIKU... THE CONSUMMATE SHINOBI?

NOW GO!

IF YOU CANNOT DETAIN THEM, SLAY THEM.

DO NOT ALLOW THEM TO LEAVE THE LAND OF FIRE.

BUT BE WARNED, THEY'RE QUITE FORMIDABLE.

I WANT YOU TO FIND THEM AND ASCERTAIN THEIR MOTIVES.

WOOSH

DISMISSED!!

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SHUP

SHUP

SHUP

SHUP

LET'S START AT THE FIRE TEMPLE, SHALL WE...

NOW, THEN.

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LET'S GO.

……?

WELL, SOME-BODY'S GOTTA DO IT …

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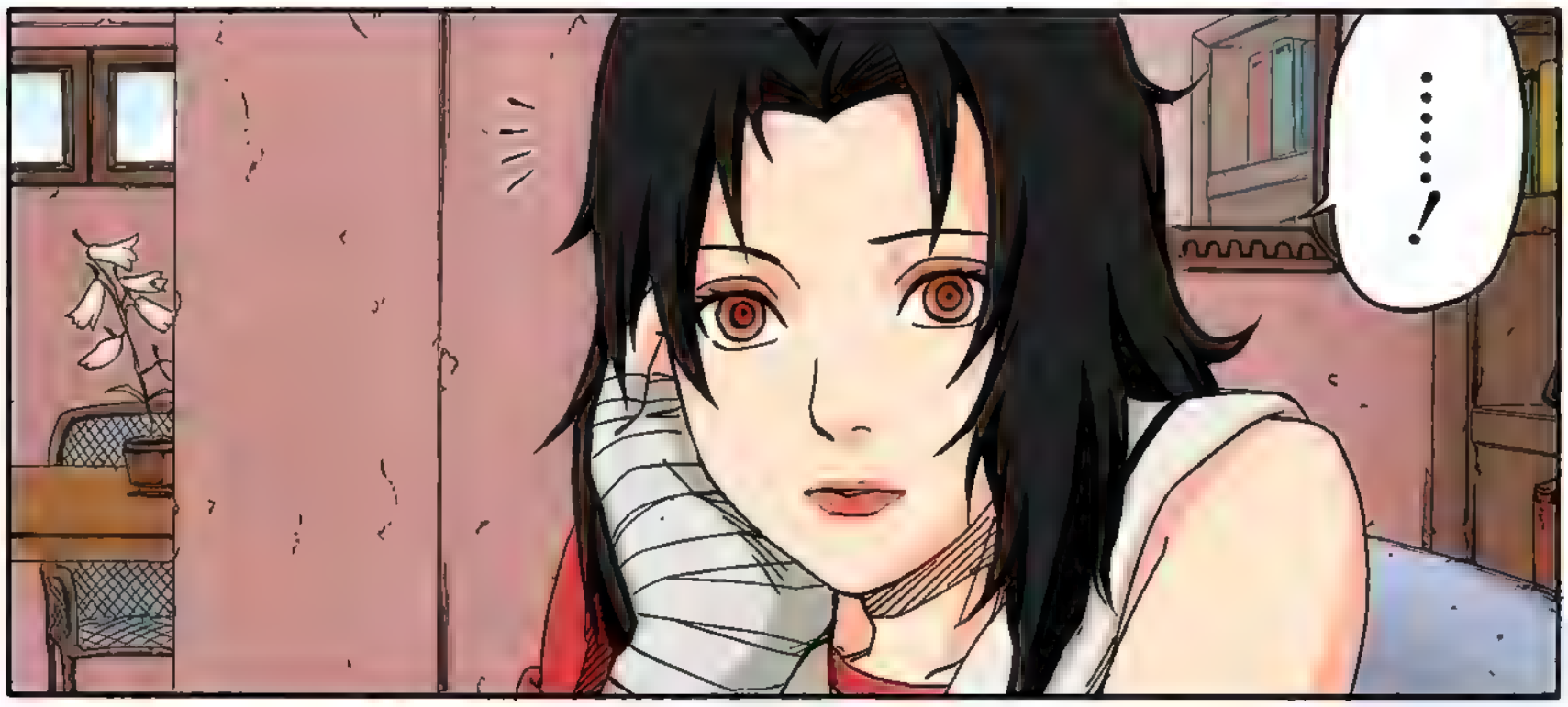

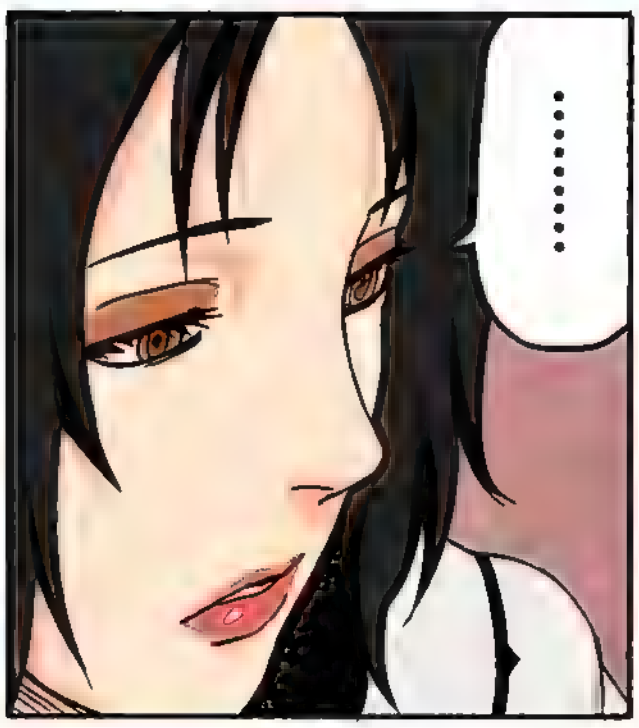

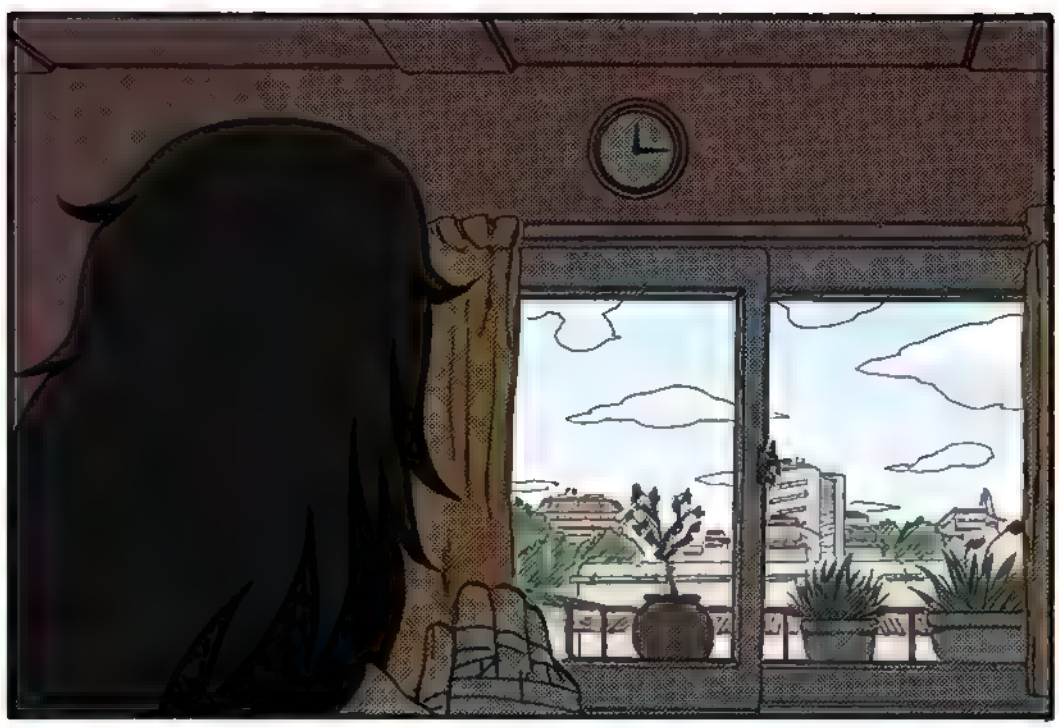

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HAH!!

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KAKASHI-SENSEI!

NOTHING BUT A LITTLE SPLASH ...

DAMMIT ...!

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IF YOU MAKE TOO MANY CLONES, EACH ONE'S CHAKRA WILL BE THAT MUCH WEAKER.

WHAT YOU NEED...IS TO TRANSFORM A MASSIVE AMOUNT OF CHAKRA INTO WIND TO CUT THE WATERFALL.

BESIDES, THAT WATERFALL'S ONLY WIDE ENOUGH FOR ABOUT TEN OF YOU.

THUD THUD THUD

DON'T YOU THINK I SHOULD BE DOING THIS WITH MORE CLONES!?

OH COME ON! THERE'S GOTA BE SOME KINDA SPECIAL TRICK TO THIS!

THERE'S NO NEED TO THINK ABOUT BATTLE FOR NOW...

YOU'RE STILL IN TRAINING ...

ONCE YOU GET USED TO IT, IT'LL FLOW FASTER.

...IT WON'T BE USEFUL ON THE BATTLE-FIELD!

BUT IF I TAKE TOO LONG...

YOU DON'T STORE THE WIND CHAKRA YOU CREATE INSIDE YOURSELF LONG ENOUGH.

TAKE MORE TIME. BE MORE THOROUGH.

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YOU'RE ADVANCING MUCH FASTER THAN I EXPECTED.

IF YOU CONSIDER THAT YOU CLEARED THAT IN ONLY A FEW HOURS, YOU DON'T NEED TO RUSH.

EVEN LEAF-CUTTING USUALLY TAKES AT LEAST HALF A YEAR.

LISTEN, CHANGE IN NATURE SKILLS NORMALLY TAKE MANY YEARS TO HONE.

EVEN SASUKE...

WHEN I TAUGHT HIM THE CHIDORI, IT TOOK A FEW DAYS TO ACHIEVE THE LIGHTINING CHANGE OF NATURE.

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SPLISH

THAT I NEED TO CATCH UP TO!!

AND IT'S THAT VERY SASUKE...

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VERY WELL.

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NO...NOT AT...
PANT PANT
...ALL...
I`M COMPLETELY...
COUGH COUGH
FINE...
COUGH.

YEAH, IT WAS HARD ON HIM...

GUESS THAT WAS PRETTY HARD ON YOU, HUH?

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ART OF MULTIPLE SHADOW CLONES!!

HOW'S THIS?

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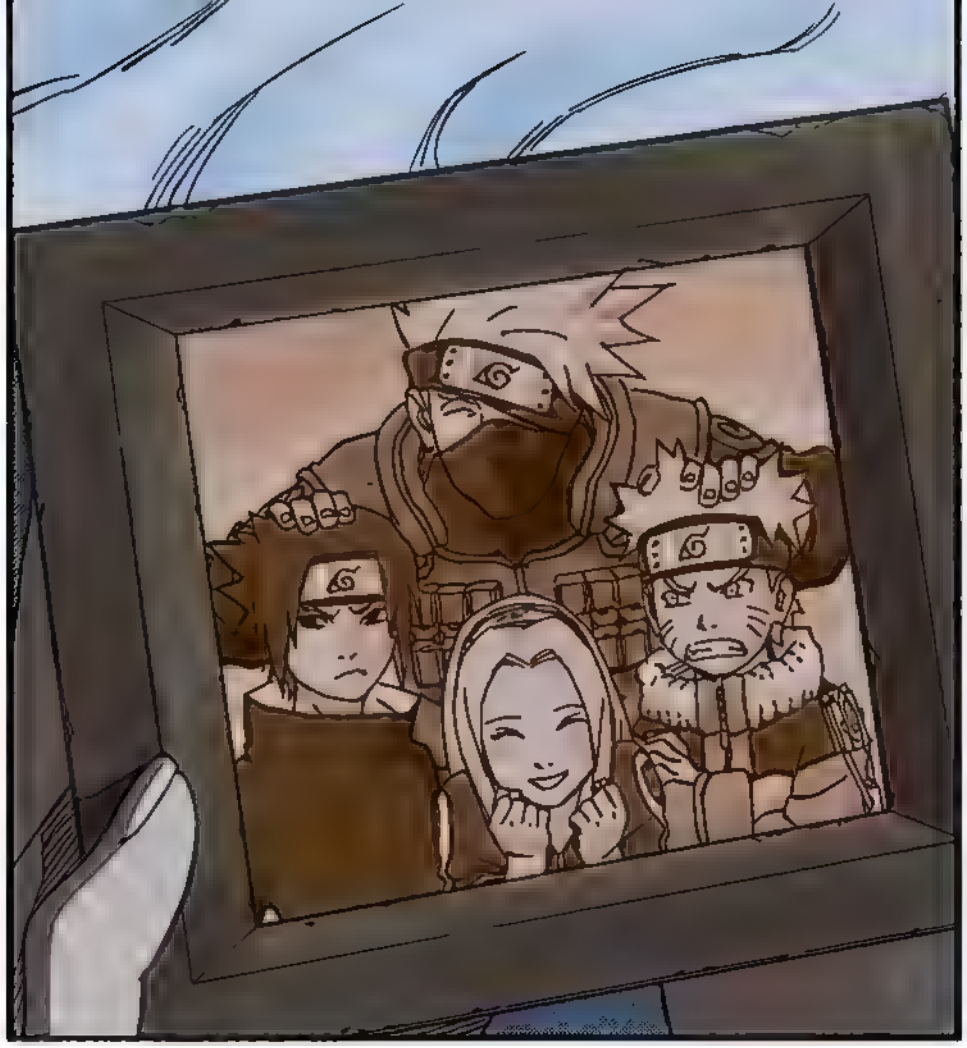

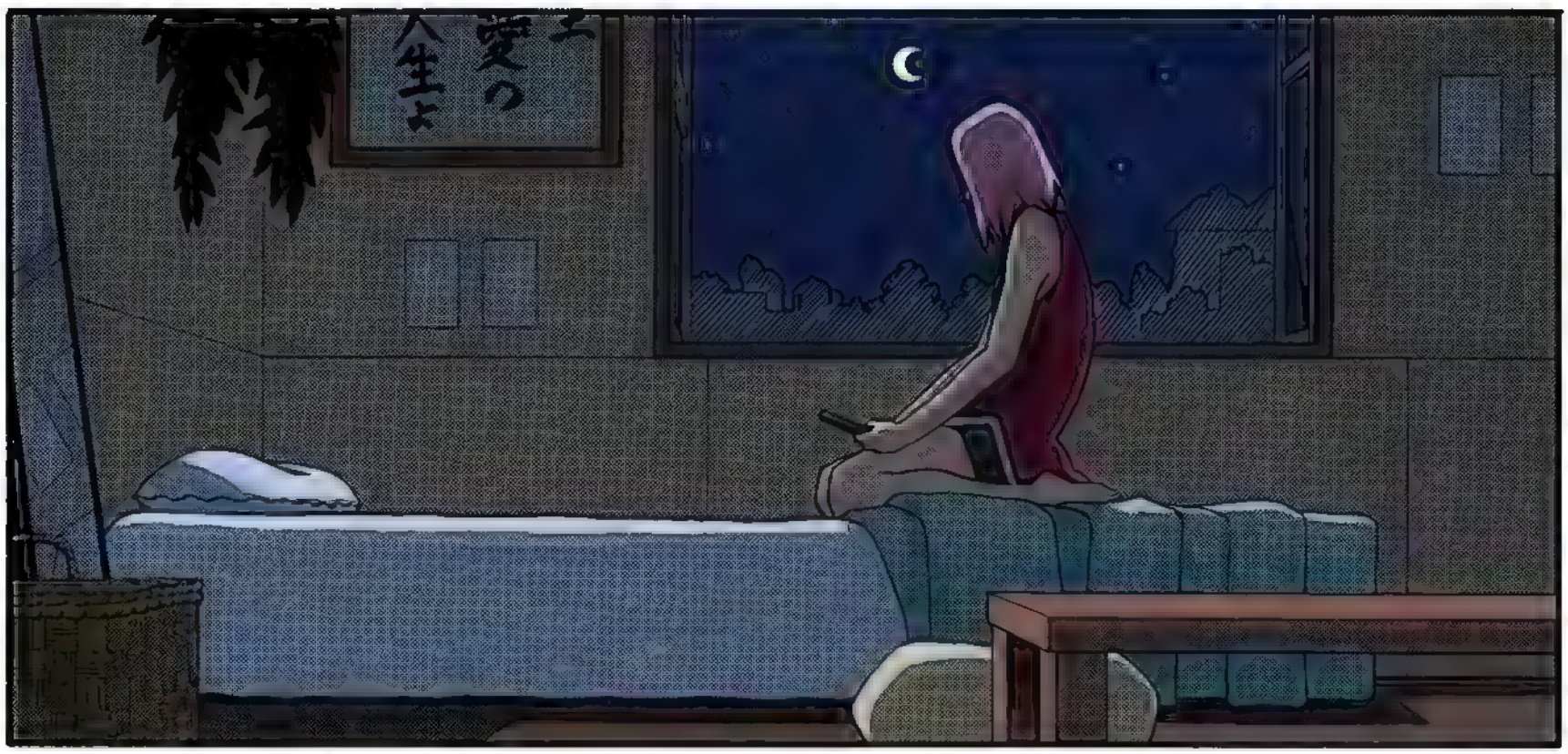

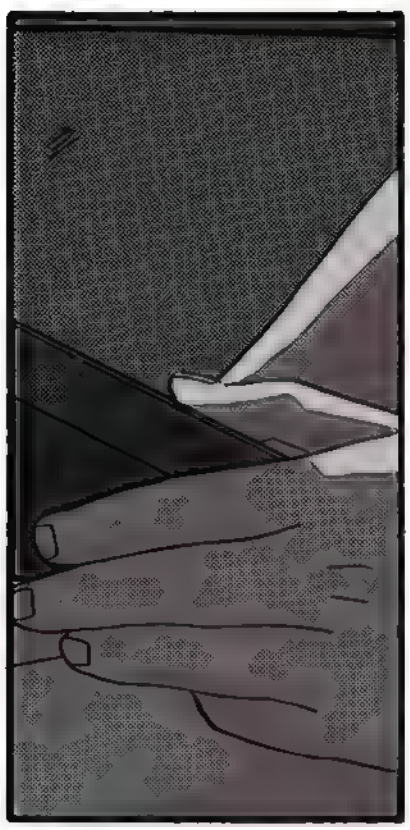

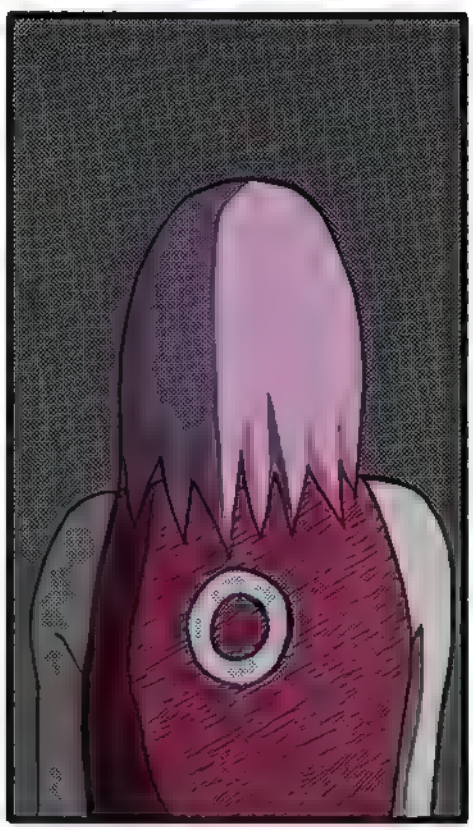

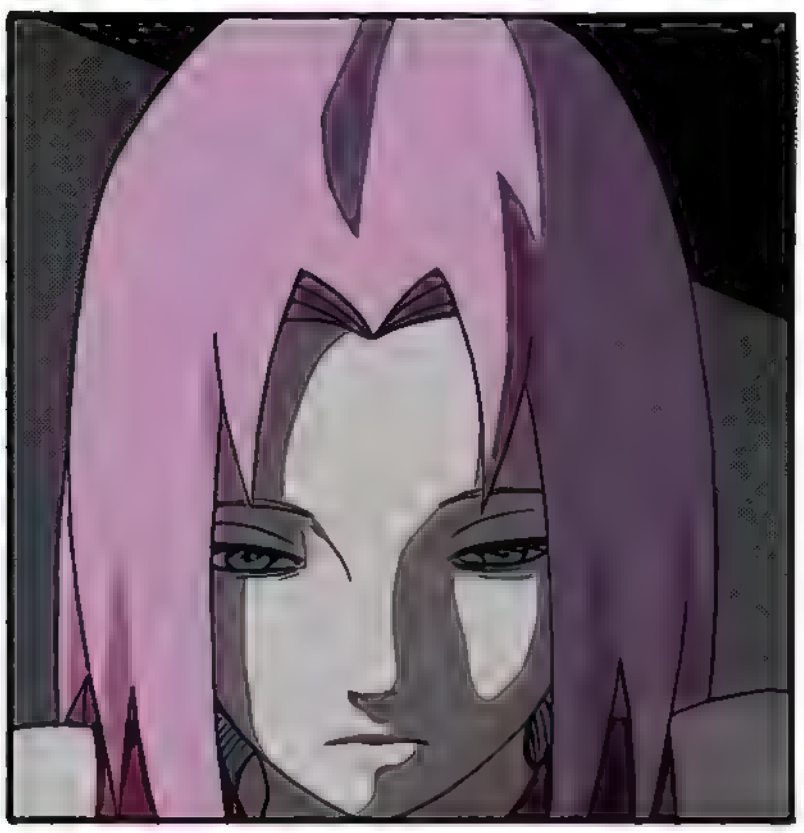

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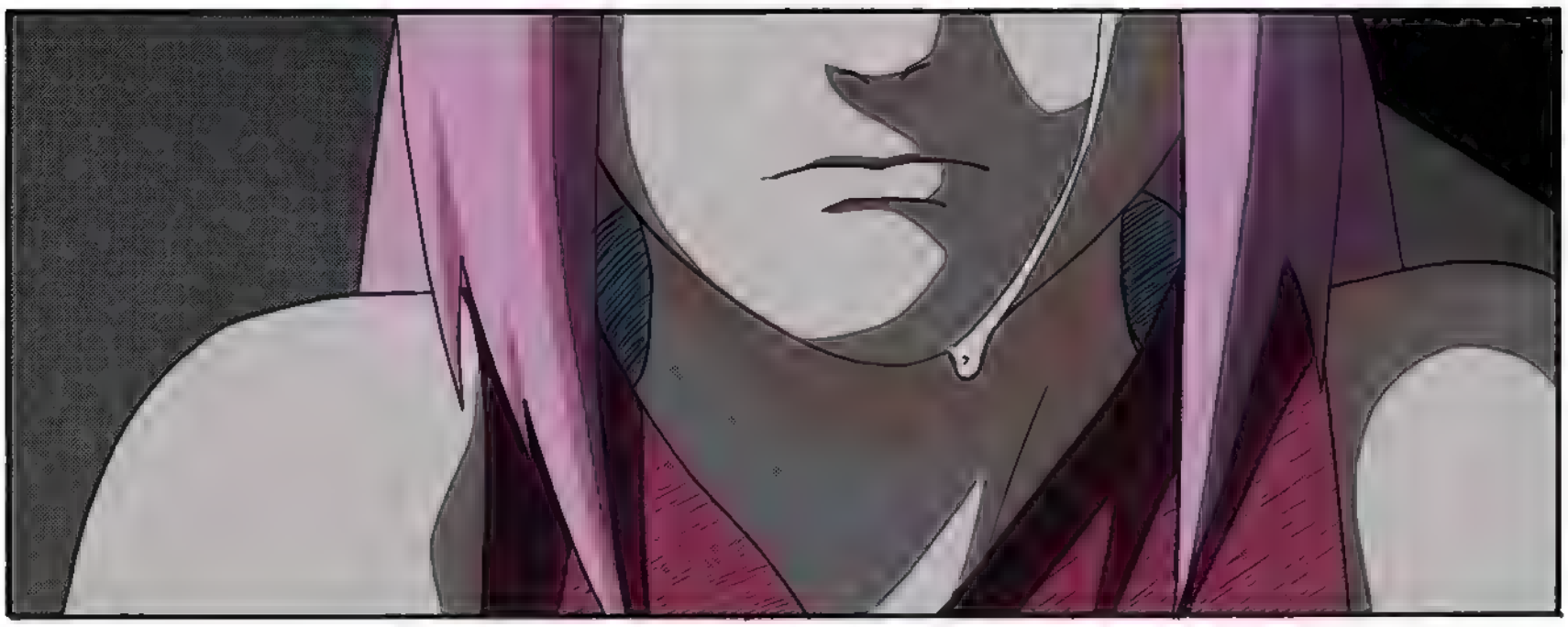

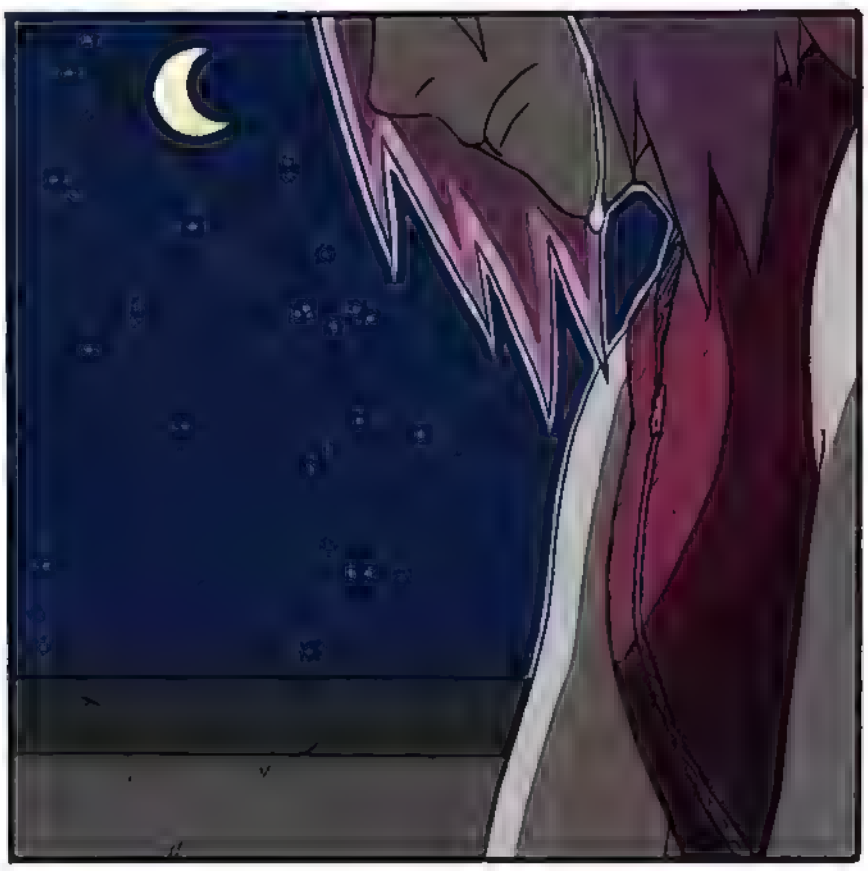

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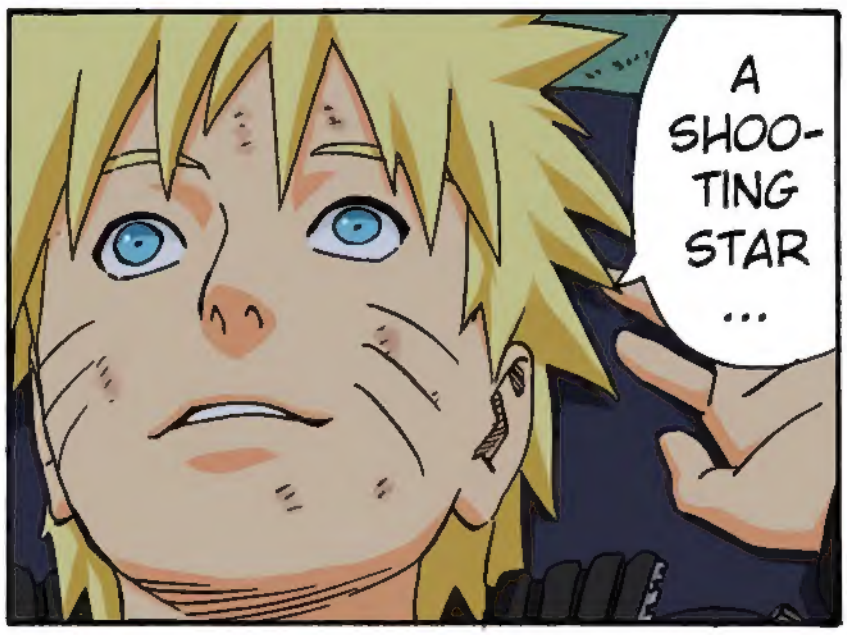

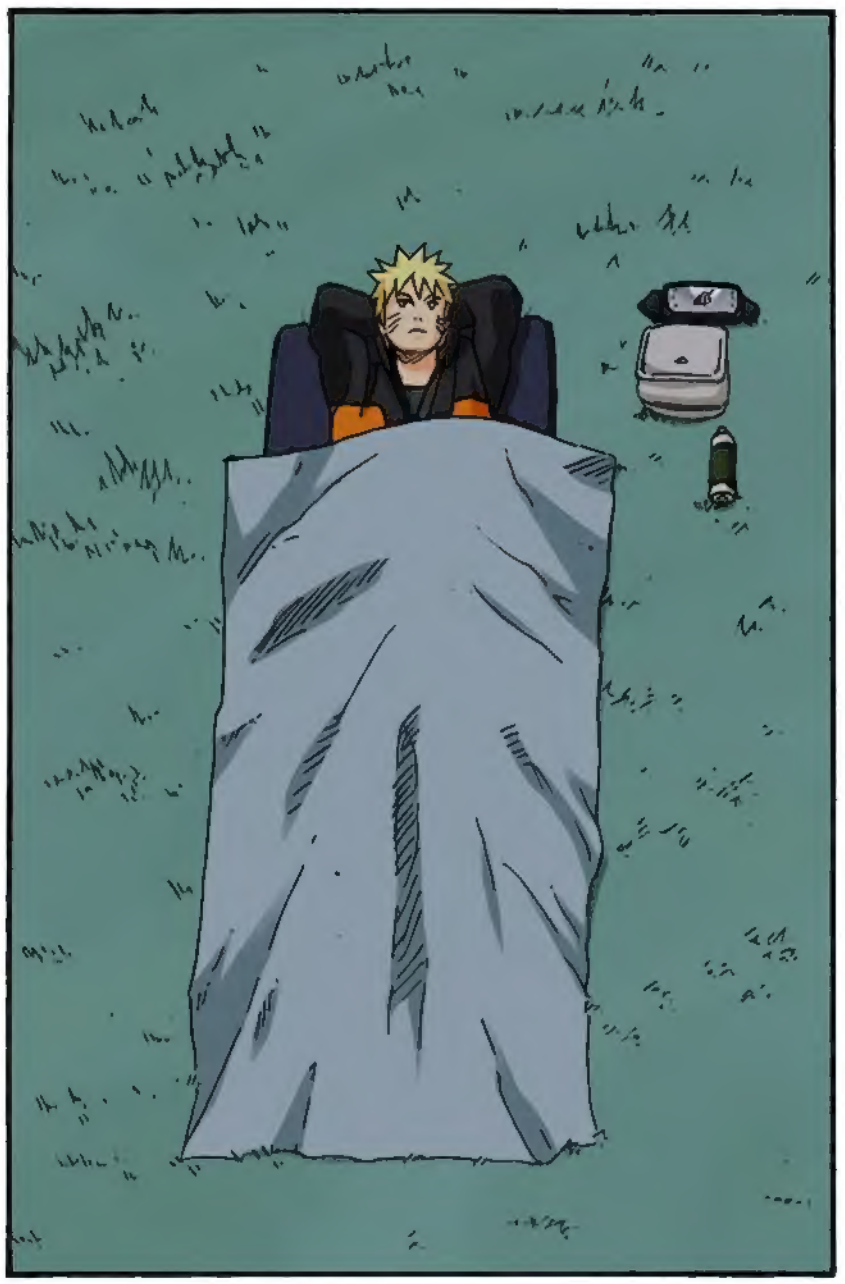

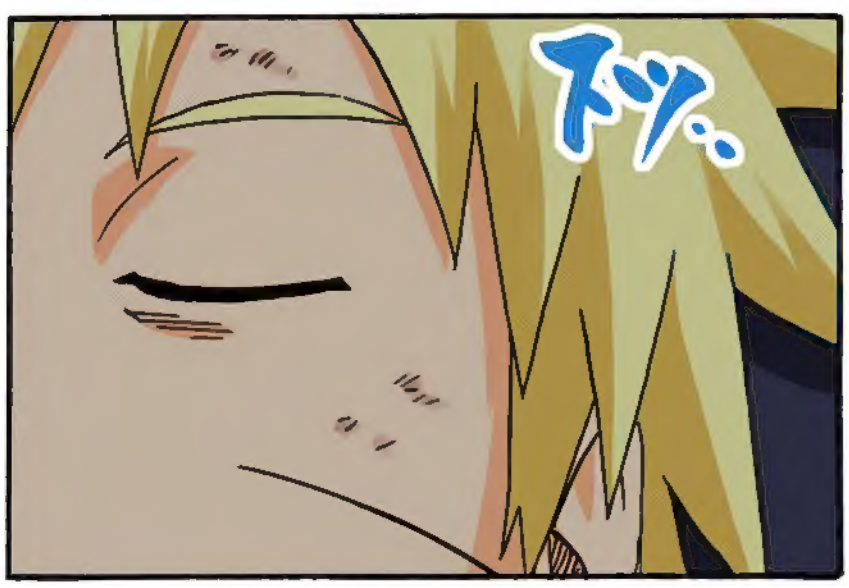

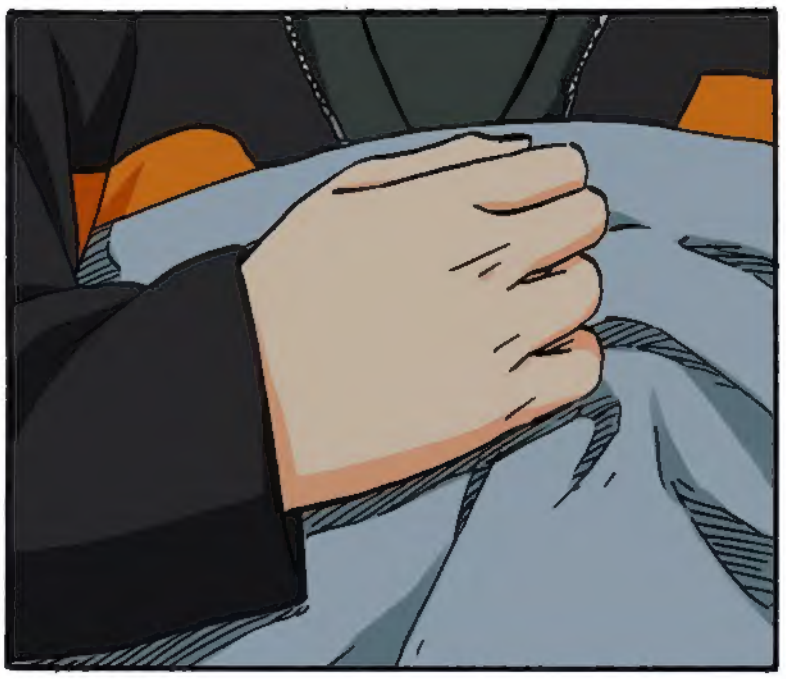

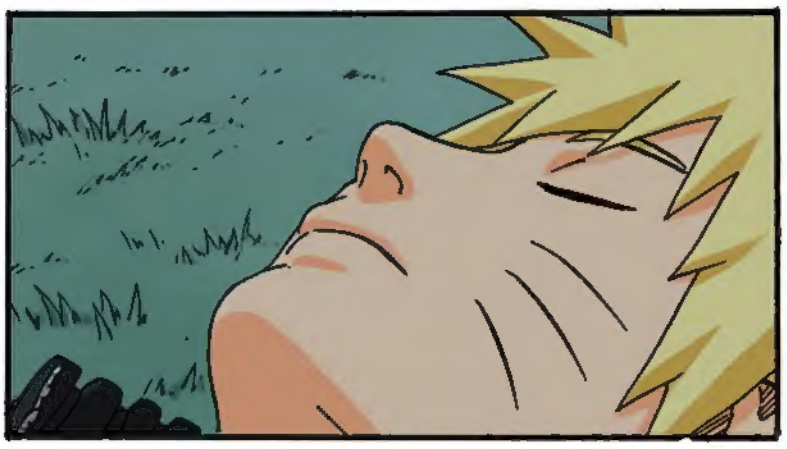

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TAJYUU KAGE BUNSHIN NO JUTSU!!

LET`S DO THIS!!

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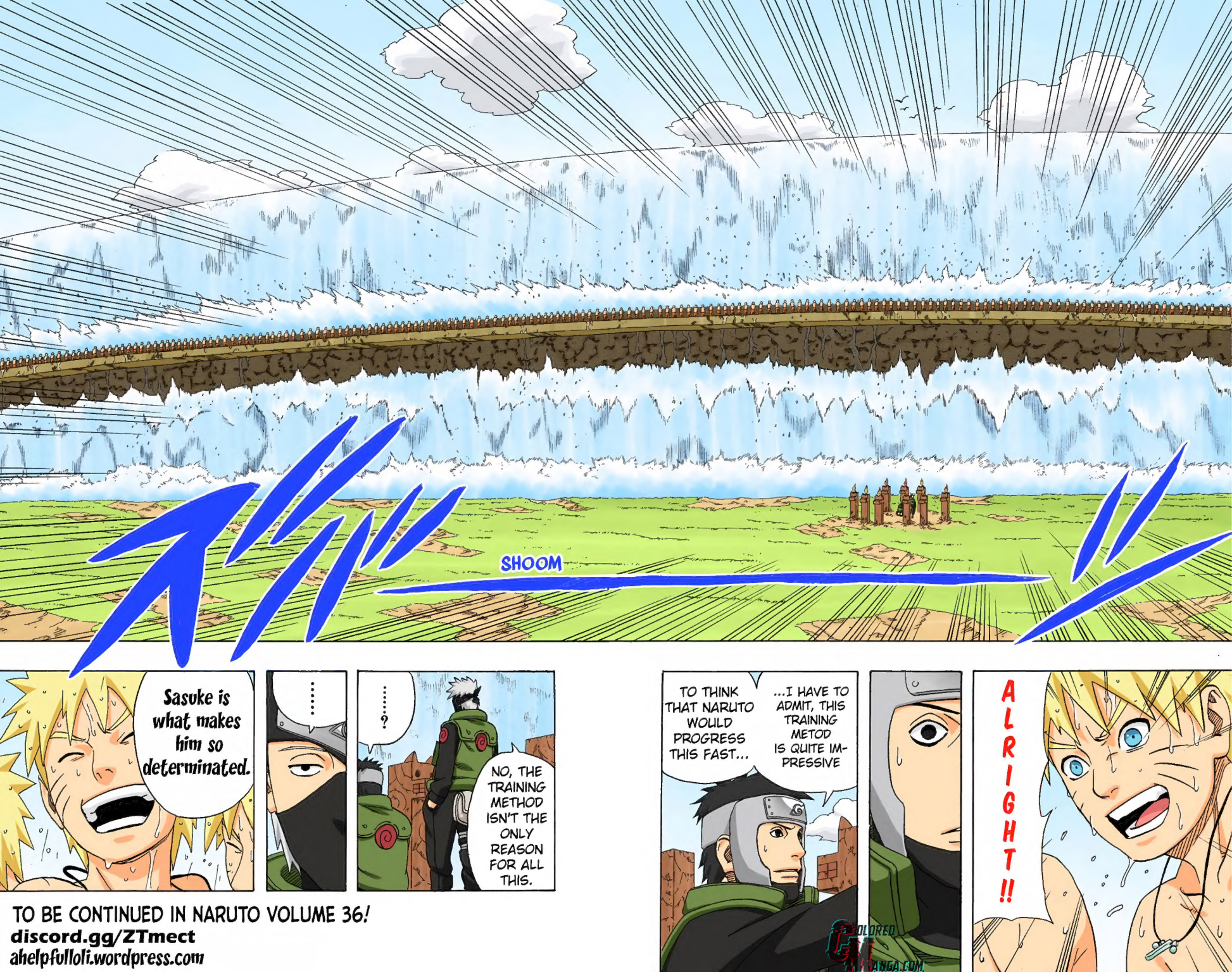
SHOOM
Sasuke is what makes him so determinated.
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.....?
NO, THE TRAINING METHOD ISN'T THE ONLY REASON FOR ALL THIS.
TO THINK THAT NARUTO WOULD PROGRESS THIS FAST...
...I HAVE TO ADMIT, THIS TRAINING METOD IS QUITE IM-PRESSIVE
ALRIGHT!!

TO BE CONTINUED IN NARUTO VOLUME 36!

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